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CAVALRY.
—Lieutenant-Colonel H. A. Tomkinson,
mpletion of the period of service in
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rvice) Lieutenant-Colonel W. T. Hodg-
M.C., to be Lieutenant-Colonel.
Howes, D.S.O., M.C., to be Major.
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INFANTRY.
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BIRTHS.

CARDWELL—December 24, 1923, at Clarien Green, Chorley, Lancashire, the wife of John B. Cardwell, of a son.

DAVIDSON—December 21, 1923, at Benmore Nursing Home, Tivoli terr., N., Kingstown, the wife of W. B. Davidson, The Peak, Killiney, twin daughters.

JONES—December 21, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jones, Quero st., Tramore, a son.

KEOGH—December 23, 1923, at "Iona," Grove Park, to Mr. and Mrs. Ignatius T. Keogh, 17 Whitton rd., Terenure, a daughter.

REID—December 23, 1923, at Birchgrove, Rostrevor, the wife of Charles S. Reid, a son.

ROBKE—December 13, 1923, at Crossdoney, Co. Cavan, to John H. and Mrs. Rerke, a son.

MARRIAGES.

IRWIN and GREHAN—December 18, 1923, at the Parish Church, Banteer, by the Rev. Henry Irwin, S.J., assisted by the Rev. Francis Irwin, S.J., brothers of the bridegroom, Cyril Irwin, C.I.E., Indian Civil Service, youngest son of the late Colonel Richard Irwin, of Rathmoyle, Co. Roscommon, to May, eldest daughter of Stephen Grehan, D.L., of Chonmeen, Co. Cork.

MOLLOY and SLEITH—December 22, 1923, at St. Peter's, Aungier st., by the Reverend John Tobias, R.D., Rowland H. Molloy, son of H. W. Molloy, St. Catherine's av., to Irene Sleith, daughter of Joseph Sleith, Ormond rd., Rathmines.

THOMPSON and EDWARDS—December 5, 1923, at St. Anna's Church, Dawson st., by the Rev. J. W. Cromie, M.A., Alexander R. Thompson, eldest son of Robert Thompson, 3 College Green, Dublin, to Florence Isabella, youngest daughter of Robert Edwards, 15 South Frederick st., Dublin.

GOLDEN WEDDING.

GEALY and DAVIS—December 26, 1873, at St. Andrew's Church, Suffolk st., Dublin, by the Rev. Canon Latham, Daniel Gealy, eldest son of the late William Gealy and Mrs. Ellen Gealy, to Anna, youngest daughter of late Henry and Sarah Davis, of this city.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

BLAKE—December 28, 1923, at his residence, Homestead, Sandymount av., Dublin, Frederick Blake, late Warrant Officer, Royal Army Service Corps, and formerly 43rd Foot Regiment; served in New Zealand Campaign 1864-5, and Egyptian Expedition, 1884-5; aged 77 years. Funeral strictly private. No flowers.

BRETT—December 27, 1923, after a long illness, at 20 Elgin rd., Dublin, Linda Kearns, dearly-loved wife of Captain Vincent Brett. Resting "Until the day break and the shadows flee away." Funeral (private) to Mount Jerome. No flowers.

BUTLER—November 26, 1923, in Canada, Esther Sarah, widow of Captain William Arthur Butler, and niece of the late John William Butler, Esq., Registrar of Deeds Office, Henrietta st., Dublin, and Broomville, 33 Upper Rathmines.

CROZIER—December 24, 1923, at 56 Eglantine av., Belfast, Elizabeth Montgomery, widow of the late Rev. John Armstrong Crozier, B.A., and daughter of the late Rev. Henry Montgomery, LL.D., Dunmurry, in her 93rd year. Funeral private. No flowers, please.

DICK—December 28, 1923, at 84 Hollybank rd., Drumcondra, of pneumonia, Henry Dick, aged 58, beloved husband of Kathleen Dick. Funeral private. No flowers.

DROUGHT—December 27, 1923, at a Private Nursing Home, Charles Stanford Drought, dearly-beloved husband of Annie Drought, youngest son of the late George Drought, Bachelor's Walk, and Mrs. Drought, 56 Brighton rd., Rathgar. Funeral this (Saturday) morning, at 10.45, from 10 Clareville rd., Rathgar.

GARIN di SOCCONATO—December 23, 1923, at her residence, Via Pompeo Magno, Rome, Contessa Georgina Garin di Socconato (nee Anketell-Jones), aged 78. R.I.P.

HEWITT—December 27, 1923, after a long and tedious illness, Henry Hewitt, dearly beloved husband of Annie Hewitt, 12 Margaretta rd., Glenageary. Funeral 9.30 o'clock Monday morning from Grangegorman Church for St. George's Burial Ground.

MacCARTHY—December 25, 1923, in the Royal Victoria Hospital, Aylesbury, George Peyton, M.C.B., youngest son of the late Robert MacCarthy, Newcastle, Clonmel. "For ever with the Lord." Foreign papers please copy.

MacGUIRE—December 24, 1923, at his residence, Ruskey, Co. Roscommon, after a short illness, James Patrick MacGuire. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and family and a large circle of friends. Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on his soul. Funeral took place from Mount Carmel Church after Requiem Mass to the family burial ground, Kilglass, on Wednesday, 26th inst.

McDERMOTT—December 28, 1923, at Beechmount, Merrion, Co. Dublin, Mary, relict of the late Michael McDermott. Funeral private. No flowers, by request.

McKEOWN—December 25, 1923, at his parents' residence, Castleton's Cooley, Carlingford, Patrick, dearly-beloved son of Peter and Mary McKeown, R.I.P. Funeral took place to family burying ground, Newtown, Thursday, December 27th, at 2 o'clock. American papers please copy.

MANGAN—December 27, 1923, at his residence, 11 Donegall pl., Belfast, after a long illness, Francis Joseph, the beloved husband of Mary Mangan. Funeral (private) from St. Paul's, Mount Argus, this (Saturday) morning, after the 10 o'clock Mass. Belfast papers please copy.

MILLER—December 22, 1923, at Salisbury, Rhodesia, S. Africa, J. P. Miller, third son of J. A. Miller, Clantymullen, Co. Longford. Thy will be done."

MURPHY—December 28, 1923, at the Private Home, Eccles st., Dublin, Peter Gerrard, eldest son of John and Teresa Murphy, 12 Healthfield rd., Terenure. R.I.P. Funeral (strictly private), after 9 o'clock Mass, from St. Joseph's, Terenure, Monday, 31st.

O'ROURKE—December 23, 1923, at Athboy, Co. Meath, Peter, son of Mrs. O'Rourke, Spa st., Portarlington. R.I.P. Office and High Mass at Athboy on Monday next at 10.30 a.m. Funeral immediately afterwards to Portarlington (motor).

SMYTH—December 26, 1923, at his residence, Greenawn-Gowra, Naas, Joseph Smyth, M.D., late Medical Inspector I.G.H., aged 76 years. Funeral to New Cemetery, Naas, this day. St. David's Church at 12 o'clock on Monday, 31st inst.

SREYS—December 28, 1923, at his residence, Island, Camlin, Swords, Robert Hardesty Sneyd. Funeral arrangements, see evening papers.

STEWART—December 26, 1923, at the Hermitage, Athlone, Gwendoline Pearl, dearly-loved youngest daughter of William and Annie Elizabeth Stewart, aged 16 months. "Suffer the little children to come unto Me." Funeral private.

STRINGER—December 27, 1923, at her residence, Carrondale, Arklow, Elizabeth, widow of the late Richard Stringer. "Peace, perfect peace." Funeral to New Kilbride (6-horse) (Sunday), 2 o'clock.

WALDRON—December 27, 1923, at his residence, Marlins, Ballyfermot, Co. Dublin, the Right Honourable Laurence A. Waldron, P.C., in his 66th year. Funeral private. No flowers.

WALLACE—December 28, 1923, in Dublin, Emily E. Wallace, late of 26 Charleston rd., Ranelagh.

WARNER—December 26, 1923, at his residence, Palace Anne, Kinlsktown, Co. Cork, Robert Warner, aged 80 years.

WESTON—December 27, 1923, Ellen, aged 80 years, widow of the late Michael Weston, Dundrum, Co. Tipperary.

"Safe in the arms of Jesus
Safe on His gentle breast."

IMPORTANT.—As announcements for this column, if posted on Saturday, cannot reach this office, it is time for Monday's paper, they should be sent by telegram.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

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LOST, 18th inst., Alderney read, Antigua Gold Earring. Reward 33 Alderney road. 28 A
LOST before Christmas, small Bull Terrier, with collar and chain; 7/6 reward.—75 Marlborough road, Donnybrook.
LOST, Friday, 28th, Grafton street, Bangor street, Gold Bracelet Watch. Reward. Lost, also lace and lace mats; finder rewarded.—D 1813, this office.
LOST on December 27th in Mount or Grafton street, Gold Bracelet Watch. Reward. Apply 18 Mount street Crescent.
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STRAYED, Black Aberdeen Terrier Dog, brindle on tail; from Greenfield, Donnybrook. Reward given. Apply 18 Mount street Crescent.
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LOST, Pocket Book, containing Lady's Bike Ticket, Insurance Card, Driving Licence, Money, &c. Reward given for any information. 27 B
£3 REWARD for returning intact Lady's Bike Ticket, Insurance Card, Driving Licence, Money, &c. Reward given for any information. 27 B
£3 REWARD for returning intact Lady's Bike Ticket, lost, containing money and cheques, Lost Monday, 24th, between Sackville street and Ballymount. 27 F
86 Northumberland, road.

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DESPATCH CLERK WANTED. Capable, reliable Man, with the right experience, will be well paid. All particulars, including class of goods handled, to D 1774, this office. 28 B

A COUNTRY Un.-v Prohibition—A Special Article dealing with this subject appears in the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. Price twopence. Y
A LARGE Multiple Shop Concern marketing special goods by tobacco, for Man to be trained as Sales Manager of Branch Establishment; salary paid during training period; thereafter remuneration offered will be salary and commission causing excellent earnings for successful man. Only men with energy, initiative and willing to work need apply. Security required.—D 1793, this office. 28 C
BOOKKEEPER, Accountant required Manufacturing Firm; must be thoroughly qualified and competent to take charge of office; good opening for first-class man. Address, giving full particulars, age, present salary required, with copies references, "Z 5539," this office. 28 C
ESTATE Office (Dublin) requires Clerk, Shorthand Typist to Rentals and able to deal with attentive correspondence. Apply by letter only, with copies references, stating salary required, to Messrs. Mackie and Co., Chartered Accountants, 39 Nassau st. 28 B
EXPERIENCED Invoice Clerk Required for Dublin Office; must be neat writer, quick and accurate at figures.—D 1811, this office. 28 B
IRISH Farmer, Photographs of Irish Events are published in the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. Price twopence. Y
JUNIOR Shorthand Typist—Accurate young Lady Wanted for City Office; apply, stating salary and references, with full particulars of self (m/f), and age expected to D 1807, this office. 28 A
LADY required, able to give Food Demonstrations in grocery shops; must be fond of cooking and fair figure.—D 1666, this office. 27 F
LAUNDRY Manager Wanted, capable, reliable lady; give copies of references and salary.—D 1742, this office. 28 A
MANAGER required (R.C.) to take entire charge of Drapery and Outfit Business, Western town; preferable must thoroughly know position, salary and all particulars.—Address "Z 5512, Manager," this office. 28 C
NICE Jewish Widow, no child, for doctor's home, London.—D 1745, this office. 27 F
PEACE Commissioner—Photograph of the Peace Commissioner for Ireland is in the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. Price twopence. Y
REQUIRED, very experienced Bookkeeper for Job, Printing Business; must be thoroughly reliable and capable; Northern town; permanent position; salary required.—Address "Z 5512, Manager," this office. 28 C
REQUIRED, Factory in County Dublin for making from Roadstone Station, Cleet, with machines of shorthand and typewriting. Write, stating experience and salary required, to Messrs. Leslie and Co., Bank Chambers, 29 Fleet st., London, E.C. 4. 28 A
WANTED, experienced Lady, shorthand, typist, Knox and Cottingham's Office, Dame street. 27 F
WANTED, Lad, about 16, to learn to be Compositor. Apply 18 and 19 Thomas st. 27 F
WANTED by City Firm, two men to take charge of Motor Lorries; must be thoroughly Dependable, willing age, experience, and salary. D 1643, this office. 27 F
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TRAINED Nurses Wanted immediately, South Wales; three in family; good salaries. Apply Matron, Bryngwyn, York, Mon. 24 T
THE Trained Nurse would act as Companion to invalid lady or gentleman; return for nice salary and home. Dublin suburbs.—D 1720, this office. 28 A
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WANTED, Maid Attendant, with nursing knowledge; good litter.—D 1748, this office. 28 A
WANTED, strong Lad ex Plumber's Helper; wages 9/—D 1805, this office. 28 A

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WANTED, Lady Bookkeeper, with knowledge of typewriting, City Firm.—D 1666, this office. 27 A
WANTED, Young Man about 20 years, Wholesale Tea and Wine Merchant's Office. Reply D 1600, this office. 27 F
WANTED, young Lady Typist; city merchants' office; state where educated, age, experience.—D 1635, this office. 27 F
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DAY Porter Wanted immediately. Apply Power's Hotel, Kildare street. 28 C
HEAD Waiter Wanted immediately, good commercial hotel in Kerry; send copies references, age. "Address "Z 3503, Waiter," this office. 27 B
HEAD Waiter required immediately; provincial experience necessary. Apply, with references, Prince Wales Hotel, Bangor. 28 A
HEAD Waiter—Thoroughly experienced Man required for first class Hotel; must be a disciplinarian. Address, with full particulars and enclosing photo, "Z 3523, Waiter," this office. 28 B
STRONG, superior country Girl Required for employment in workingman's home; good wages; must be well recommended.—M 80, Irish Times Branch Office, Inquiries. 27 F
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WANTED, for a private dining room in Dublin, a Cook Manageress; strictly sober and honest, and able to cater quietly and economically for a refined clientele; wages expected, and forward copies of references.—D 1637, this office. 27 B
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MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

A APPRENTICE (Boy) Wanted for developing City Business; good class training under gold medallist; Prelim. passed essential; fee required.—D 1604, this office. 27 B
A YOUNG Woman, with experience, wishes for a situation as Maid Attendant to an invalid or elderly lady (not mental); can do plain sewing; good references.—Address "Z 3507, Attendant," this office. 28 C
A QUALIFIED Dental Surgeon has vacancy for a Pupil.—D 1737, this office. 28 C
A PPRENTICE Wanted, Pharmaceutical Chemist in Dublin suburb; fee required; outdoor.—D 1735, this office. 28 B
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Variations of the Tailor-Made.

shapes, are still much liked by the
e.
leather is cut in the form of a palm
then trimmed with tiny disques of
colours over-wrapping one another.
ulti-coloured leather decorations are
only on winter hats, but also on tails
in hats, and they form a fantastic,
ctive, decoration.
oats are appearing, some of the
and others of the vest persuasion
always of a contrasting colour and
to the suit. White kid represents the
smartness in conjunction with black.
These accessories are decorated again
unctured or *broderie anglaise* design,
h the same fabric as the suit. When
e present they are usually of *cire*
nd not patent leather.
a detail of which careful note must
. *Broderie anglaise* is likewise em-
or the decoration of day-tyn suits,
e a new French knot embroidery, the
mphasised with metal threads.
is being made to revive the nuvean
t at the moment Parisiennes are not
indly to the idea. Sometimes, with
e-fronted coat, the spade skirt is in
which takes the form of panels,
the side being shorter than those
ront and back.
thinstened with a craze for grey,
a restful and most chic colour to den.
s! it is not easy to wear, and few
ook well in it. Certainly, the blonde
sheer off grey, unless she has dark
h eyebrows and lashes. The brunette
s grey an unbecoming colour, unless
poses to be a very vivid type, with
colouring. Even then, grey is more
difficult. The dowd must sheer off
ural tendency to choose it, as she
aturally sheer off silk stockings for
e calls "everyday" wear.
g of stockings, reminds me of the stir
ous the edict which, rumour had it,
forth, forbidding girls and women
at the Hotel de Ville to wear silk
. The authorities deny it, but the
that the Prefect did dictate the order
smiles that ensued caused him t
the edict. But a copy remained, and
freely circulated. "Poor Prefect! But
liking silk stockings!"

HYGIENE.

ce of an old physician, "Smash the
" on encountering the germ-laden air
tly closed sick-room, or his injunction
other of an ill-nourished child, "Gives
key of the jam cupboard."
ng about town one is struck by the
hourly danger to which the inhabi-
re quite unnecessarily exposed.
me almost shudder when
dust cart going its rounds on one of
dy days we know so well in Dublin,
blowing about, and dirty pieces of
t in its track, and I think regretfully
gienic covered carts I have seen in
from which no rubbish can possibly
In Turkey it is a punishable offance
bread to be uncovered in the streets;
Dublin the bread vans go merrily
with the loaves on the top exposed to
aminating influence of the dust and
e city. In many other ways we are,
behind the Continental towns. For
a lady has just passed my window
hatpins sticking at least two inches
r hat, to the danger of all she comes
at in Poland she would have been
the police for such careless disregard
for I remember once, when entering
artment of a train in that country, I
a notice in three languages, warning
n passengers not to allow their hat-
protrude. As I furtively moved my
my hat to adjust a too conspicuous
ed glances were exchanged by my
sengers.
A. P. W.

FOR THE COOK.

CHOCOLATE CREAM.

ndients.—Half breakfastcup warm
half ounce gelatine (soaked for
ur), half pound sugar, two table-
uls grated chocolate, one pint milk,
Vanilla, one gill cream.
od.—Soak the gelatine, add the
milk and chocolate, pour into a
saucepan, boil for five minutes,
move from the fire. Add very
the cream and flavouring, stirring
time, then boil for one minute.
into moulds to set.

PEACH PUDDING.

one pint cream, two tablespoon-
ator sugar, half tin peaches, half
gelatine, and warm water. Dis-
he gelatine in a very little warm
Whip the cream stiffly, and add
gar. Chop the peaches in small
and mix all together. Pour into
d and leave to set.

BROWN SOUP.

up into small pieces, and free from
o pounds meat or hough; put into
where two ounces of fat has been
brown the meat well, and add
ly three quarts cold water and a
ap bone, stirring well. Bring to
, and add pieces of carrot, turnip,
and celery. Simmer for three
strain, return to pan, add one
cornflour, made into a smooth paste
ater; boil up and serve.
at balls ten minutes before serv-

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onate; first class worker; best prize gets
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arnant, Charleston, Queenstown.

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ndon, 8 Coulson avenue, Rathfar.—Pekinese
s, prize winners, Sale, moderate.

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ington.

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ren, Nervousness, Debility, Indigestion,
ble which without any exception it will
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ly, aged 8.—Rosse, Avoca.

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FURS & COATS

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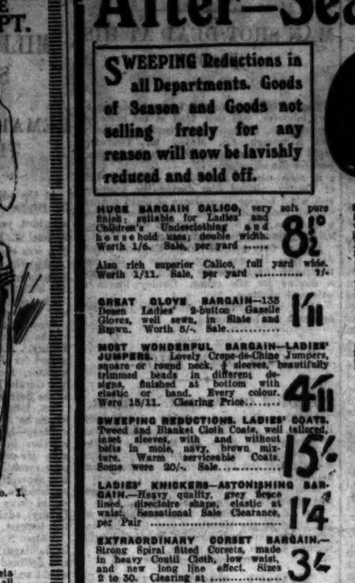
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20 Pieces Stripe and Check Tweeds, new colourings, 54in. wide. Former Prices, 6/11 and 7/6. Sale Prices, 3/6 and 4/6.

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Silk Net Tunics, Black, Silver and Cerise. Originally 35/-. Clearing 21/-.

Dressing Gowns, good Beaded Tunics. Usual Price, 40/-. Sale Price, 29/6.

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36 inch coloured Cire Lace Flouncing, in assorted Special Sale Offer, 8/11½ yard.

Insertions to Match, 2½d. yard.

45-inch Voile Flouncing, with dainty coloured Border. Usual Price, 9/11. Special Offer, 6/9 yard.

27-in Embroidered Cambric Flouncing. Usual Price, 1/6. Special Sale Offer, 1/3 yard.

27-in Voile Embroidery. Originally 4/6. Offer, 2/11.

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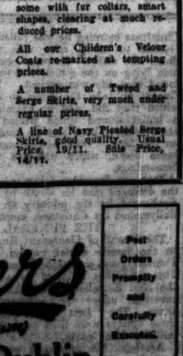
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500 Garments, Manufacturers' Samples, consisting Combinations, Vests, and Knickers, marked at nearly Half-price to Clear. Fine Pure Wool Sleeping Vests, very light and warm, short sleeves, White only. Usual Price, 4/6 and 5/6. Sale Price, 3/6½ and 4/6½. Pure Wool Swiss Rib Chemise Vests, 40 inch long, no sleeves. Usual Price, 5/11. Sale Price, 3/11½.

Pure Wool Swiss Rib Combinations, fancy top. Usual price, 4/11, and 6/11. Sale Price, 3/6½ and 5/6½.

KNICKERS.

60 dozen Ladies' Fine Mercerised Cotton Knickers, elastic at waist and knee.

Clearing at 1/11½.

25 dozen Ladies' Knickers, elastic at waist and knee, best quality, unladderable artificial silk. Usual Price, 3/6 and 3/11. Sale Price, 2/6 and 2/11.

Warm Fleece-lined Knickers, best quality, Black, Brown, Grey. Usual Price, 2/6 pair. Sale Price, 1/6½ pair.

Ladies' Nainsook Nightdresses, trimmed lace, from 4/6 to 25/-.

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Out-sizes in both Nainsook and Longcloth stocked, moderately priced.

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40 dozen White French Doeskin Gloves, elastic wrist to pull on; most reliable washing glove. Usual Price, 6/11 to 10/6. Sale Price, 5/11½ per pair.

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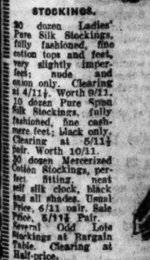
Lined and Fur-trimmed Deerskin Gloves, at specially reduced prices.

20 dozen Irish Hand-knit String Gloves, in Natural and White. Usual Price, 3/11 and 4/11. Sale Price, 2/6½ per pair.

Natural Lamb's Wool Fur-back Gloves. Usual price, 15/11. Sale Price, 12/6 per pair.

CLEARANCE OF BEAUTIFUL HOSIERY

Milanese Chemise Vests and Camisoles marked at very low prices to clear.



Ladies' Nainsook Nightdresses, trimmed embroidery, from 2/9 to 10/6.

Ladies' Longcloth Nightdresses, trimmed embroidery, from 2/9 to 10/6.

Out-sizes in both Nainsook and Longcloth stocked, moderately priced.

Ladies' Nainsook Set, as sketch, Chemise 5/11, Nightdress 7/6, Camisole 3/11.

Knickers 3/11, trimmed good strong Cluny lace and knitted darn insertion.

A lot of travellers' samples including Nightdresses, Chemises, and dresses, the latter closed at back, elastic waist, full shape, and clearing at about Half Price.

LADIES' COMBINATIONS.

Fine Pure Wool Combinations, Swiss rib, very warm, best light weight, no sleeve, Women's and O.S. Usual Price, 9/11. 10/11. Sale Price, 7/11, 8/6.

40 dozen Swiss Rib Combinations, fancy top. Usual price, 4/11, and 6/11. Sale Price, 3/6½ and 5/6½.

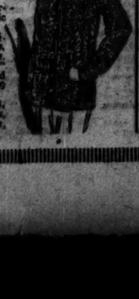
KNICKERS.

60 dozen Ladies' Fine Mercerised Cotton Knickers, elastic at waist and knee.

Clearing at 1/11½.

25 dozen Ladies' Knickers, elastic at waist and knee, best quality, unladderable artificial silk. Usual Price, 3/6 and 3/11. Sale Price, 2/6 and 2/11.

Warm Fleece-lined Knickers, best quality, Black, Brown, Grey. Usual Price, 2/6 pair. Sale Price, 1/6½ pair.



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After-Season Sale Begins Monday

CLERYS

SWEEPING Reductions in all Departments. Goods of Season and Goods not selling freely for any reason will now be lavishly reduced and sold off.

POST your order for any of these items. We pay Carriage on all orders over 20/-, except on Furniture and Bedding. China, Glass, Linoleum, Trunks, Gramophones, etc. Goods despatched same day as order received by our large Mail Order Staff.

HUGE BARGAIN CALICO, very soft pure finish, suitable for Ladies' and Children's Underclothing and household uses; double width. Worth 1/6. Sale, per yard ..... 8½d.

Also rich superior Calico, full yard wide. Worth 1/11. Sale, per yard 1/-

GREAT GLOVE BARGAIN—135 Dozen Ladies' 2-button Gazelle Gloves, well sewn, in Slate and Beaver. Worth 2/6. Sale, per pair 1/11

MOST WONDERFUL BARGAIN—LADIES' JUMPERS. Lovely Crepe-de-Chine Jumpers, square or round neck, long sleeves, beautifully trimmed beads in different designs, finished at bottom with elastic or band. Every colour. Were 18/11. Clearing Price 4/11

SWEEPING REDUCTIONS. LADIES' COATS. Tweed and Blanket Cloth Coats, well tailored, inset sleeves, with and without belts in mole, navy, brown mixtures. Warm serviceable Coats. Some were 20/-. Sale 15/-

LADIES' KNICKERS—ASTONISHING BARGAIN.—Heavy quality, grey fleece lined, directoire shape, elastic at waist. Sensational Sale Clearance, per Pair 1/4

EXTRAORDINARY CORSET BARGAIN.—Strong Spiral fitted Corsets, made in heavy Coutil Cloth, low waist, and new long line effect. Sizes 2 to 30. Clearing at 3/-

WONDER BARGAIN. — NEW DUMPTY UMBRELLAS, beautiful handles, wrist strap and splendid covering, bordered taffeta covers. Were 14/6. Sale Bargain ..... LADIES' 9/11

STARTLING BARGAIN LADIES' JACQUARD VELOUR COATS, collar and cuffs of Coney Musquash, Beaver, Fawn, Mole, Navy and Black. Worth 6 gns. Sale 5 9/6

SENSATIONAL BARGAIN LADIES' HIGH-GLASS BOOTS—Black Velour Calf Uppers, made in Switzerland, medium toes and high Cuban heels. Perfect fitting. In all sizes and half sizes. Worth 40/-. Sale 16/6

Astonishing Bargains from the Hosiery Department.

Wonderful Sale Bargain—Ladies' Black Llama Finish Stockings. Pair 1/-

Another Remarkable Stocking Bargain—Ladies' Black Rich Artificial Silk Stockings. Were 2/11. Sale 1/-

Great Bargain Ladies' All-Wool Cashmere Stockings, beautiful soft quality, in Black, Grey, Putty, Tan, Fawn. Worth 2/11. Sale 1/11

Double Sole, Spliced Heel, Ladies' Swiss Ribbed Cotton Combinations, opera tops. Were 3/11. Sale Bargain 1/11

Wonderful Sale Bargain—Ladies' All-Wool Cashmere Combinations, low neck and ribbed arm. Were 8/11. Sale 4/6

Sale Bargain—Ladies' Beautiful All-Wool Lisrer Jumpers. 15/6. Amazing Bargain, ... 8/11

Extraordinary Sale Bargain—Men's All-Wool Cardigans, in Lemon, Fawn, Loval and Grey. Were 10/6. Sale 5/6

Great Bargain—Men's Fleece-lined Vests and Pants, in fine quality. Were 4/11. Sale, each garment 2/3

Men's All-Wool Cashmere Vests and Pants, lovely soft finish. Sale, each garment 5/11

O.S., 1/- extra.

Men's All-Wool Cashmere Socks, in Black, Navy, Grey. 1/11

Great Bargain Glove Sale.

Huge Purchase Ladies' best Imitation Washable Buckskin Gloves, 2 pearl buttons, heavy cloth, well cut and sewn. Yellow, Beaver, and Biscuit. Usually 2/11. Sale 1/11

Astounding Bargain—170 Dozen Ladies' best Tan Cashmere Gloves, with fancy cuff and Fringe, foreign make. Real value. Worth 8/6. Clearys Sale 4/11

28 Dozen Prs. Ladies' Tan and Biscuit Gloves, hand-sewn Deerskin, lined best ribbed Cashmere. Were 13/6. Sale 6/6

Men's Glove Bargain—87 Dozen Prs. Men's 1-button double-sewn Gloves, strong serviceable glove for hard wear. Usual price, 6/11. Sale 4/6

Factory Clearance—Men's 1-button pique sewn Washable Chamois Gloves. Usual price, 3/11. Sale 3/11

Amazing Bargain—Children's Gloves—Splendid line Children's Double-sewn Tan Leather Gloves, warmly lined. Were 5/6. Sale 3/11

About 55 dozen pairs Children's Handkerchief Wash Gloves, large fancy Gauntlets. Usual price, 1/11. Sale 1/3

Outstanding Bargains from the Blouse Department.

Wonderful Bargain—Crepe-de-Chine Jumpers, in heavy quality, round or square neck, full size, elastic or band at bottom, trimmed beads, also with Bertha Collar; in Pink, Grey, Blue, White and dainty shades. Were 14/11. 7/11

Clearing Bargain in 20 Dozen Lavisca Blouses, well-known washing and wearing quality, nicely tailored; collar can be worn turned up or low. Shades—Grey, Mole, Pink, Mauve and Blue stripes, on rich soft ground. Were 12/11. Sale 7/11

Special Sale Line, Silk Jumpers, in Navy and Black. Usual Price, 29/6. Sale 14/6

Clearing Bargain in Ladies' All-Wool Jumpers, in Saxe, Rose, Navy and Fawn, in fine ribbed quality, full size, clearing at 4/11

Extraordinary Bargain. — Ladies' Overalls, in plain colours, trimmed Jaza, long waist effect, closed all round, slip on over head; very neat; looks like a dress. Were 2/11. Sale 1/6

Nurses' White Holland Aprons. Astonishing Bargain—Splendid heavy quality, full size, large round bib, one pocket. Were 3/11. Sale Price, ... 1/11

Bargains in Ladies' Outfitting Department.

Great Bargain—Flannelette Underskirts in Coloured Stripe on Cream ground, also in plain Cream. Cut on bias band. Sale 1/11

Wonderful Bargain.—Nightdresses in heavy quality Flannelette, in Cream and Coloured Stripe, high neck, with turned Lawn collar, long sleeves; can also be had Magyar shape. Sale 4/6

Huge Bargain—Ladies' Knickers, Stitched Flannelette, cut on bias. W. and O.S. Sale 2/6

Big Bargain—Ladies' Chemise, heavy quality Cream Flannelette, round neck, short sleeve, self-trimmed frill. Sale 2/6

Sensational Bargain in Fine Lawn, Nainsook and Cambric, daintily trimmed insertion and lace. Clearing 1/6

Wonderful Bargain—Ladies' good quality Flannelette Dressing Jackets, cut Raglan shape, with turned down collar, scalloped edge. Colours: Rose, Sky, Saxe, Grey, Purple, Cardinal. Sale 4/11

500 Beautiful Nightdress Underskirts in new fashionable shapes, assorted designs, beautifully cut, Colours: Navy, Black, Saxe, Rose, Emerald. Sale 5/-

1,000 Beautiful Fitting Brassières, big assortment of shapes, sizes for slim or stout figures. Sizes 32 to 44 ins. Clearing, each 1/6

Splendid Bargains from the Jewellery Department.

Wonderful Bargain — Handsome Nickel Silver Alarm Clocks, loud clear alarm, good time-keepers. Sale 3/6

Wonderful Bargain — Breakfast Cruets, fine fluted glass on tablets with best E.P.N.S. mounts and frame. Sale, each 3/6

Beautiful Polished Wood Trays—Great Bargain, good strong handles, 23 ins. long. Sale 6/6

Amazing Sale Bargains in Lace Curtains and Prints Depts:—

Aeroplane Cloth—The last of the War—Aeroplane Fabric, 46 ins. wide. Lovely fine texture and Tussore colour, suitable for Blouses, Dressing Gowns, etc. Worth 2/-, per yard. Ask for patterns. Extra wide, 46 ins. Bargain 1/11

Great Bargains in Appliqué—A big lot of lovely soft Appliqué for Dressing Gowns, Jackets, etc., in Rose, Blue, Purple, Saxe, and Cardinal. Double width. Bargain Price 1/9

54 inch Ripplecloth Sale 1/11

Our Renowned Printed Dress Fabric—A charming, reliable material for Overalls and House Frocks, in Brown and Coloured Stripes, and Striped Tussore shade and Rose. Double width. Worth 2/6 per yard. Bargain Price 1/-

Most Exceptional Bargain—Beautiful Curtain Net, very strong, durable Net, in remarkably effective designs. Bargain Price, 1/11 Per Yard 1/11

Beautiful Rich Heavy Ploutette for Curtains, in luxurious shades of Red, Green and Old Gold. 50 inches wide. Bargain Price, per Yard 2/11

Wonderful Bargain—2 Big Lots of Lovely Furnishing Damasks for Furniture Covers and also for Curtains; soft shades of Crimson, Olive, Blue, Rose and Rich Old Gold; 31 inches wide. Bargain Price, per yard 1/-

Beautiful Heavy Lace Curtains, dainty new designs, 2½ yards long, in Cream and White. Per Pair 3/11

Also a Big Lot at 2/11

Exceptional Lot of Lace Curtains, very fine Net, dainty Borders and almost plain centre; 2½ yds. long. Bargain 7/6

3 yards, 9/-.

Curtains in superfine Net, 3½ yards long. Per Pair 12/11

Nurse Cloth, in check and stripe designs, 31 inches wide. Suitable for Nurses' Overalls, Dressing Gowns, etc. Sale, per yard ..... 9½D.

About 100 Pieces of Lovely Shadow Cloth—Exquisite Colourings. Clerys Sale, per yard 1/6

Beautiful Cloth Cheviot in Blue and White, Pink and White, Hello and White, Brown and White. Sale ..... 6½D.

Fancy Stripe Muslin for Curtains, 40 ins. wide. Cream Colours. Was 1/11. Bargain Price, per yard ..... 6D.

Stupendous Bargains from the Coat, Fur and Costume Dept.

Ladies' Covert Coats, well tailored, inset sleeves, with and without Belts, 46", 48", 50" long. Wonderful Bargains 21/-

Ladies' Waterproof Coats, Brown and Tan Leatherette or surface proofed. Amazing Bargain, each 25/-

Clearing Bargain in Velvet Trimmed Coats reduced to tempting prices.

100 Coat Collars, Animal shape, Skunk and Grey shades. Each 14/6

Natural Fox Ties, lined Silk, Clearing at, each 25/-

Fur Coats, all beautiful models in best skins, Cosey, Seal Musquash, Natural Musquash, Beaver Coney, etc. Reduced to Bargain Prices.

120 Fancy Cloth Coats, best quality, neatly piped on collars, suitable for medium-sized figures. Fawn, Navy, Black, Mole shades. Rare Bargain 45/-

70 Velour Coats, in beautiful Stripes, latest styles, Browns with Beaver Stripe, Black with Grey Stripe, Almond with Dark Green Stripe, new Rolster shape 79/6

Fur collar, Sale 65/-

Many Costumes in good quality Gabardine, featuring the new Banded effect. In Brown, Mole, Navy. Sale 49/6

Fur Trimmed Costumes, Gowns, Evening Frocks, marked at Wonderful Bargain Prices to Clear.

Remarkable Sale Bargains in Juvenile and Girls' Department.

1,000 Kiddies' Wool Coats and Caps, in best wool, double-breasted, turn-down collar, 6 pearl buttons. Sizes 20" to 26". In Cream, Rose, Emerald Sax

PRIEST SEARCHED.

ENCOUNTER ON A KERRY BRIDGE.

HUNT FOR DESPATCHES

At a special court in Tralee last evening, before District Justice Johnson, John Scully, of Glencar, was charged with having, at Castlemaine, on the 27th October, 1922, assaulted, with intent to rob, the Rev. Alexander O'Sullivan, C.C., Milltown.

Mr. Liston, State solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr. Brown defended.

The Rev. Alexander O'Sullivan said that when he was on his way home on a bicycle from Tralee to Milltown, he saw a group of men at Castlemaine Bridge. One of the men rushed towards him and called on him to halt. The man presented a gun at him, and told him he should be searched.

"I challenged his right to stop and search me," continued Father O'Sullivan, "and he maintained his right to do so, and said: 'I have the right to shoot you.' He subsequently graciously added that he would not shoot me then, that he meant to wait until I was tried.

"I wanted to get home, but he refused to allow me to pass unless I allowed myself to be searched, indicating particularly a leather bag which hung from my bicycle. He searched the bag, but did not search my person. I had to produce letters which I carried for his inspection, and after that I was allowed to proceed."

The witness identified the accused as the man who held him up and searched him.

In cross-examination by Mr. Browne, Father O'Sullivan said that he saw other armed men in Castlemaine on the same evening. He could not suggest that these men were armed for robbery, or that they were there because there was a war on. He was asked by the man who held him up whether he was carrying despatches for the National Army in Killorglin. He told him that he was not. It was his duty to be a supporter of the National Army and the National Government. He had a revolver at the time, but it was empty.

He had an angry discussion with the men who held him up. He said to them that if there was one Black-and-Tan there they would all run. Scully replied that I was a Black-and-Tan myself.

Mr. Browne submitted that the charge of assault with intent to rob could not be sustained on the evidence. The charge was a political, and not a criminal, one, and, to his mind, it was an ill-advised charge. Anybody who knew the honourable part that Sean Scully played in the fight for Ireland's freedom would shudder at seeing him in the dock, now charged as a common robber. He had been for months in prison as a political prisoner, and was then on hunger strike.

Now when the jail gates were being opened for the vast majority of Irish political prisoners, were they to be opened to push in Sean Scully? Nobody who knew him would believe him guilty of robbery, and his acquittal would be appreciated by all the people of the country, who were sick of war and longed for peace.

Mr. Liston said that the Court had nothing to say to politics. *A prima facie* case had been established, and the justice had no option but to return accused for trial.

The Justice, who said that he had nothing whatsoever to do with politics, returned the accused for trial, and admitted him to bail.

In a second charge against the accused and James Cronin, for holding up and taking a pony, trap, and goods on the same date, informations were refused.

CHURCH OF IRELAND.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEXT YEAR IN DUBLIN DIOCESE.

The Archbishop of Dublin has issued a circular letter to the clergy of the United Diocese of Dublin, Glendalough and Kildare, setting forth the arrangements which he proposes in connection with the work of the diocese for the year 1924.

Sunday, January 20th, has been set apart for the collection for the Central Emergency Fund. This will be the fifth and probably the last year of the fund's operations, and the Archbishop expresses the hope that it will not be allowed to flag.

The annual collection in aid of the Poor Parishes Fund and other diocesan needs will take place on Sunday, February 17th. The letter states that "the strengthening of this fund by increased annual contributions will facilitate the work of the Diocesan Council, and greatly extend its power to stimulate self-help in the poorer parishes."

The first Sunday in Lent (March 9th) is devoted to temperance.

Sunday, April 6th, is Education Sunday, and the Archbishop appeals to the clergy of the United Diocese to put the maintenance of efficiency on this side of the Church's activities in the front rank, side by side with the Sustentation Fund and Foreign Missions."

The Archbishop proposes to hold Confirmations at the following centres in 1924:—

Monday, March 10th, in Christ Church Cathedral, at 11.30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 12th, in St. Peter's Church, Dublin, at 11.30 a.m.

Friday, March 14th, in Christ Church, Kingstown, at 3.30 p.m.

Monday, March 24th, in St. Matthias's Church, Dublin, at 3.30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 26th, in Rathmines Church, at 3.30 p.m.

Friday, March 28th, in St. Paul's Church, Dublin, at 8 p.m.

Tuesday, April 1st, in Harold's Cross Church, at 8 p.m.

Friday, April 4th, in St. George's Church, Dublin, at 11.30 a.m.

Monday, April 7th, in St. Ann's Church, Dublin, at 3.30 p.m.

Friday, April 11th, in St. Bartholomew's Church, at 11.30 a.m.

Sunday, April 13th, in North Strand Church, Dublin, at 3.30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 15th, in Monkstown Church, Co. Dublin, at 3.30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 16th, in St. Paul's Church, Bray, at 11.30 a.m.

Saturday, April 19th in St. Columba's College, at 12 noon.

Friday, May 2nd, in Clontarf Church, at 3.30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 7th, at Celbridge, at 3 p.m.

Friday, May 23rd, in the Cathedral, Kildare, at 3.30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 27th, in St. Patrick's Cathedral, at 3.30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 12th, at Wicklow, at 3 p.m.

The Rev. C. W. Chastel de Boinville, Vicar of Bishopthorpe, and Domestic Chaplain to the Archbishop of York, has been appointed to the rectory of Luckington (Wilts). Mr. de Boinville was for some years Incumbent of Fethard, Co. Tipperary, and afterwards of Tipperary town. He is well known and much esteemed in the Diocese of of Cashel. Mrs. de Boinville is the author of several popular novels and sketches.

RECLAIMING BOGLANDS.

In a letter on the reclamation of boglands, Mr. E. N. Somers, Secretary to the Dublin Industrial Development Association, draws attention to a paper on "The Economic Production of Power for Irish Industries," which was read by Mr. Thomas Tomlinson, M.I.C.E., at the All-Ireland Industrial Conference in Dublin in October, 1921. Mr. Tomlinson stated that the bottom draining of a bog, which Irish engineers had decided, with a few exceptions, to be the condition precedent to any practical and economic system of machine getting (of turf), had been done as far as the level of the adjacent stream allowed by Mr. Patrick Coffey, Annahoity, Co. Tipperary. Mr. Tomlinson further expressed the opinion "that in the matter of exploitation of our resources, the native sagacity of this Irish farmer will be found to have saved us some ten years of experimental work. Upon the drained bog of Annahoity the machine getting of peat is certainly possible. Further, Mr. Coffey has reclaimed and tilled the soil underlying the cut-away bog, and grows splendid crops on it."

STOLE TO BUY WEDDING GOWN.

PARIS, December 28.

Penniless through the death of her father, who was killed during the war, a beautiful girl, 22 years old, has been arrested after committing a series of burglaries in order to obtain the money for her "dot" and purchase a trousseau for the forthcoming marriage.

CORK AND KERRY.

RETURNING TO NORMAL CONDITIONS.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

A visit to Cork and Kerry during the past week proved that, with a few exceptions, conditions there are rapidly approaching normal. The murders of Sergeant Woods, of the Civic Guards, at Scartaglin, and of Thomas Brosnan, and the shooting at an officer in Cork last week, are the notable exceptions. There are, too, some robberies under arms, but they are becoming less frequent; and when the newly-organised police force has had a little further experience these two counties will be uncomfortable for criminals.

Public opinion is behind the new forces of law and order. These include the military, the Civic Guards and the Courts. The latter are now functioning in every district throughout Cork and Kerry, and the District Justices administer punishment to fit the crime.

The Civic Guards are vigilant in all directions, and the licensing laws are being enforced most rigidly. The penalties for selling intoxicating liquors after hours are now much more severe than formerly.

The trade of illicit distillation is being slowly but steadily stamped out by the Guards, but it will be some time before it is abolished in the more remote and mountainous districts of West Cork and Kerry. Other breaches of the law are closely watched by the Guards.

Sportsmen who have permits can now enjoy themselves without the risk of being deprived of their guns by armed men. It is an indication of the return to normal which all peace-loving citizens desire.

Train services in many parts of the South, which were suspended early in the year owing to the destruction of bridges, are now restored, and passengers can reach their destination in scheduled time. Fairs and markets are held as usual, and farmers dispose of their produce without let or hindrance.

The City of Cork, which was crippled for four months by labour disputes, is making remarkable headway. The success of the National Loan has inspired confidence that the Free State has found its legs, and that the future of the country is assured.

GIANT SUBMARINE.

TRIUMPH OF BRITISH DESIGNERS.

FROM OUR NAVAL CORRESPONDENT.

To people not conversant with the facts the statement made by Professor Oswald Flamm in the interview which we published last Thursday might convey the impression that submarine design is less advanced in Great Britain than in Germany. Nothing could be wider of the truth, as the following will prove.

In the first place, the basic features of all German submarines planned before, during and since the war were suggested by the late French engineer, M. Dequeville, who entered the service of Krupps in 1903. From that time onward the German submarine development progressed by slow and cautious steps, each type being a slightly larger edition of the preceding one, but in no case showing any radical departure from conventional practice.

British designs, on the contrary, have always been marked by boldness and enterprise, and never more so than during the war. In the J boats, begun in 1916, we produced what were then the finest Diesel-engined submarines in the world. They could travel 19½ knots on the surface, whereas the swiftest German U boat never made more than 17 knots on the surface.

The steam-driven K boats, begun in 1916, were designed for the extraordinary surface speed of 24 knots, which they duly achieved. With their displacement of nearly 3,000 tons, they were far larger than any German submarines then afloat. In the following year we laid down the M class of submarine monitors, of 1,600 tons, mounting a 12-inch gun which weighed 50 tons and fired a shell weighing 850lb. To carry a gun of this weight, together with its mountings, in a submarine presented a most difficult problem of stability, which was, however, brilliantly solved by our designers.

In 1917 we built many boats of the R class, known in the Navy as "Little Arthurs," which were the first submersible monitors of submarines. Although displacing only 420 tons, they had an under-water speed of 15 knots and a tremendous torpedo armament.

All these war designs, however, have been eclipsed by the monster X 1, which was laid down at Chatham in November, 1921, and began her trials this week. She displaces about 2,500 tons, and is as large as many a light cruiser. She has oil engines which drive her on the surface at the speed of a battleship. Besides torpedo tubes, she has a number of heavy quick-firing guns. On one load of fuel she could travel to Brazil and back without calling at any port.

These few details will be enough to show that in the X 1 the British Navy has the greatest and most powerful submarine in existence. Whereas Professor Flamm has taken three years to complete the plans of his big submarine cruiser, the designs of X 1 were prepared in less than five months.

A striking comment on the above is the news that K 26, the second largest submarine in existence, only exceeded by the giant X 1, is to begin a 9,000-mile cruise in the Mediterranean and the Red Sea on January 2nd. She will sail from Portsmouth under Commander G. P. Thomson, formerly of the Naval Intelligence Division, and will proceed straight to Gibraltar, and from thence on to Malta, Port Said and Aden.

This submarine has a displacement of 2,140 tons, being 250 tons heavier than the earlier boats of the same class. Her surface speed is the same, 24 knots, but she carries a heavier armament. Like the rest of the K boats, she is driven by steam, but it is doubtful whether steam will ever be placed in a future British submarine, as it much restricts the usefulness of the vessel.

The voyage will be the first of the kind undertaken by any British submarine in peace time. The vessel will be absent about three months.

OUTDOOR RELIEF IN DUBLIN.

INCREASED SUPERVISION.

A meeting of the Dublin Union Commissioners was held yesterday, Mr. Seamus Murphy presiding. The other Commissioners present were Mrs. Power and Dr. O'Dwyer.

The Clerk (Mr. John P. Condon) reported that there was a bank balance to the credit of the Guardians of £2,743. There was a balance of the third instalment due by the Dublin County Council of £10,000, and, in respect of Celbridge No. 2 Area, £1,261, making a total sum of £11,261 due by the Dublin County Council.

The Clerk further reported that the number of inmates in the house at the end of last week was 3,310, compared with 3,370 in the corresponding week of last year.

The Commissioners made an order that, in consequence of the increasing cost of outdoor relief in the Union, it had been considered necessary to increase the supervision. They had accordingly decided tentatively to appoint two special supervisors, and Mr. John J. Corway, at present Relieving Officer at Tallaght, and Mr. John J. Healy, Relieving Officer for South City No. 2 District, has been instructed to undertake the work. Mr. John Tannan, official messenger, has been temporarily appointed to Mr. Healy's duty, and it would be arranged that some officials on the staff would carry on the work of Mr. Corway, so as to avoid any additions to the staff under the new system.

There were two special officials engaged in paying outdoor relief to former inmates of the North Dublin Union, and, as this did not seem necessary, the officials in question had been ordered to transfer the cases to the Relieving Officers in the districts where the recipients resided. Miss Gunn did not feel equal to doing Relieving Officer Corway's duty, and the Commissioners regretted that they must discontinue her services from the 4th prox. The handing over of the balances in the hands of the officials concerned and other matters were left in the hands of the Clerk.

Mr. Thomas H. Mottram, Chief Inspector of Mines, is to hold the investigation into the causes of the recent Nunnery Pit disaster at Sheffield.

BRIGHT'S PURE CONFECTIONERY, MADE IN Dublin. Sugar, bonbons in all varieties.—Walter Bright, Ltd., Townsend street, Dublin.—(Advt.)

FOUND SHOT.

REMARKABLE MURDER NEAR BIRR.

MAN RIDDLED WITH LEAD.

A verdict of wilful murder against some person or persons unknown was returned at an inquest yesterday on Thomas Coady, of Ballysadden, Birr, whose body was found shot at the foot of the stairs in the house where he lived on Wednesday night.

The murder is supposed to have no political significance.

Bridget Coady, aunt of Thomas Coady, who resided in the same house with him and his brother Patrick, gave evidence. She stated that before he went to bed at about 10 o'clock on St. Stephen's night, Thomas Coady was in the best of health. About an hour afterwards he rushed downstairs like a man who had risen out of his sleep, and "went on with some rambling talk." He was partly dressed. He left the kitchen, and she was certain that he shut the door between the kitchen and the hall. She heard no noise. Some time afterwards, when she was going up stairs, she stumbled over his body in the hall outside. His brother Patrick was out. When she heard him coming in she said: "Tom is dead."

The only noise she heard was that of dogs barking. The kitchen door was locked, and the door of the hall was bolted. Patrick, in order to get in, had to take the key of the kitchen door from under the hall door, where it was usually placed. She heard no struggle.

Patrick Coady, brother, stated that when he entered the kitchen his aunt told him that Tom was dead, and he went and saw the body in the hall. He lived on good terms with his brother. He got home between 12 and 1 o'clock that night. When he entered the kitchen his aunt was there, and, going through the communication door, he saw that his brother was stretched at full length inside it. Witness went for neighbours, and he reported next day to the Civic Guards that his brother had died suddenly. He had no suspicion of foul play, and it was only when Dr. Morton came out that he learned that his brother had been shot.

There had been a dispute about a right of way, and a threshing machine was damaged the same night. Gates and a donkey trap had been damaged previously.

Questioned as to why he reported the sudden death to the Guards, he said that he was afraid that he would get into trouble if he did not do so. It was the Guards who told him to bring out the doctor.

Thomas Reddan stated that he was "trailed" to the house at about 5 o'clock that morning, and stripped, shaved, and washed the body, finishing about half-past six that morning. He washed off blood, and saw marks, but did not recognise them as gun-shot marks, as he understood that Thomas Coady had thrown up his heart's blood, and that the bleeding was from the nose.

Dr. Morton said that he saw Thomas Coady at his house at half-past 12 on Thursday. The wounds in the abdomen and the front of the chest were perforated with shot marks—about 80 or 100. The chest, lungs, heart, and liver were punctured. In his opinion all the wounds were made by a single discharge from a shot-gun, fired at a distance of not less than twenty yards, while Coady was standing on a level with his assailant. He probably fell at once, and would be unable to rise or move any distance after falling. The wounds could not have been self-inflicted. Witness had seen the hall, and did not believe that the man could have been shot there, or that the shot could have been fired in the house.

Dr. Fleury corroborated the evidence of the previous witness.

CRISIS IN COTTON INDUSTRY.

SIR CHARLES MACARA'S CRITICISMS.

Speaking at a meeting of the Provisional Emergency Cotton Committee, held in Manchester yesterday, Sir Charles Macara, who was in the chair, expressed his thorough dissatisfaction with the slow progress that had been made to remedy the position of affairs in the cotton industry.

He said that all sections of the industry had been looking forward eagerly to see steps taken by the Joint Cotton Committee to introduce methods to save the trade from further serious losses. Week after week had passed, however, and nothing of a tangible nature had been forthcoming, although the solution was obvious. For over three years a large number of mills had shown no return whatever to those who had invested their money in them, and extra capital was being called up, only to be dissipated owing to the inactivity and want of unanimity among those who controlled the employers' organisation.

In no other industry in the country was so foolish a policy being pursued, and the effect, both on Lancashire and the country generally, was most disastrous. This was shown in the Revenue returns just issued, it being stated that there was, up to the present, no less a deficiency than some £50,000,000. It was easy to guess why the greater part of this money was not forthcoming, seeing that there was an estimated loss in the cotton trade of something like £1,000,000 per week. Unless this great loss was stopped by getting the cotton trade on to a profitable basis again, it was difficult to see how the deficiency could be made good before the end of the present financial year.

As an example of what was being done in other countries to deal with industrial difficulties, Sir Charles stated that he had had a letter from M. le Comte de Hemptinne, head of the Belgian Cotton Spinning Association, saying how deeply he was impressed by the Provisional Emergency Cotton Committee's proposals for dealing with the grave crisis in the English cotton industry, and adding that he himself had succeeded in establishing, with complete success, control in the Belgian cotton-spinning industry.

Speaking of the interest that was being taken throughout the world in the work of the Provisional Emergency Cotton Committee, Sir Charles Macara added that he had been requested by the editors of leading American journals to contribute articles explaining the proposals put forth for dealing with the critical position into which the English cotton industry had been allowed to drift.

FREE STATE GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS.

A circular letter has been issued by the Irish Free State Minister of Finance to all Ministries and departments informing them of the Government's desire that wherever possible preference should be given to firms employing demobilised officers and men of the National Army in the execution of contracts for public departments.

Forms of tender issued in connection with the performance of any work the total expenditure on which will exceed £500 will be accompanied by a notice stating that in considering the placing of contracts special regard will be had to the extent to which firms submitting tenders employ, or are prepared to employ, demobilised National soldiers, and asking for particulars of the number of ex-National soldiers employed by the firm, and whether preference will be given to such men in filling positions created by the contract or any future vacancies that may arise.

IRISH PRIEST'S DEATH IN LONDON.

The death occurred in London on Thursday of the Rev. James Corcoran, S.M., who was in his 59th year. Father Corcoran received his early education at St. Mary's College, Dundalk, and was ordained at Salamanca in 1892. He was at one time President of St. Mary's College, Middlesborough, but had to relinquish the position owing to a breakdown in health. He was then transferred to London, where he spent the past twelve months. Father Corcoran was a native of Kilkenny.

On Sunday last, the Rev. John James Roche, O.F.M., Waxford, celebrated the diamond jubilee of his priesthood. The present Bishop of Ossory, the Most Rev. Dr. Brownrigg, who is over 80 years of age, is a nephew of the venerable Franciscan.

COUNTY MAYO MURDER.

MAN SHOT DEAD AT HIS DOOR.

Thomas Carney, a small farmer and migratory labourer, was shot dead at his home at Cloonfallagh, a small village between Kilkelly and Kiltimagh, Co. Mayo, on Thursday night. Two men are believed to have taken part in the shooting.

A man named Brennan, a brother-in-law of Carney, visited him during the evening, and when he rose to go home at eight o'clock Carney accompanied him to the door. Then a shot was fired by persons who were lurking outside, and Carney was killed.

He had only returned from England a few days ago. He was very popular in the district, and the people are at a loss to suggest a motive for the crime. Carney leaves a wife and children.

After the shooting the murderers got away, and have not been traced.

OLD MAN SHOT.

VERDICT OF WILFUL MURDER.

At the adjourned inquest on Patrick Brennan, an aged farmer, who was shot dead at Grange, Co. Sligo, on December 4, the jury found that he died from a bullet wound wilfully inflicted by a person or persons unknown.

John Brennan, a nephew of the dead man, was wounded on the same occasion.

One of the witnesses, who was beaten on the night of the shooting, said that he was unpopular and had enemies in the district because he was a Free Stater.

MODEL EMPLOYERS.

MESSRS. CARROLL AND THEIR WORKERS.

The workers and directors of Messrs. Carroll's tobacco factory, Dundalk, gave a cordial welcome to the Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, Coadjutor Archbishop of Armagh, on the occasion of the firm's annual Christmas *re-union*.

Mr. J. M. Carroll, managing director, on behalf of the firm, extended to His Grace a *cead mile failte*.

Mr. J. McKinley, on behalf of the employés, referred to the happy relations which had always existed between the firm and its employés.

His Grace, in reply, said that he could not fail to be gratified with their reception. That was no ordinary re-union. It was a gathering of workers and employers which showed that the interests of both were the same. He did not know of anything that one should look upon with more interest and delight than the spectacle of employers and employed working harmoniously together. By their presence the workers showed that the prosperity of the concern that gave them employment was as dear to them as it was to the employers themselves. That was the right spirit.

The directors did not limit their interest to what concerned their personal profit. They also took a deep interest in the personal welfare of every employé. That was the way to give satisfaction to both sides. It was a joy to Ulster to see work there to feel that they were working in a business in which they could take a hearty interest. And, on the other hand, what good would it do Mr. Carroll, or any other employer; if he could get on without the good-will and friendship of his employés?

Next year the firm would be a hundred years old, and was advancing steadily; and he trusted that in the days to come it would have the large and rich development that they all desired.

A musical programme and a drawing of prizes followed, and a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Archbishop.

THE PROPERTY MARKET.

DEMAND FOR FACTORIES AND WAREHOUSES.

(BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

The year which is now drawing to a close has not been marked by anything sensational in the matter of high prices for any class of property, whether estates, farms, business premises or private residences. It has, however, been of far greater value, inasmuch as it has brought forth steady buying and selling; values of properties have become more stabilised; owners of properties for sale have learnt to be more reasonable in their demands, with the result that there has been a steadily increasing volume of sales.

The disturbed state of the country during the early portion of the year and the total disorganisation of railroad traffic interfered very much with the profitable sale of farms; but during the last few months there has been quiet purchasing, and, with the greatly improved conditions now prevailing, it shows every symptom of greater development. Only a few days ago a nice farm of 60 Irish acres, close to the City of Dublin, was sold privately by a well-known firm of auctioneers for over £111,000. Prime grazing land fetched a very comfortable figure when let on the eleven months system, and in the coming year is not likely to be less in amount.

Business premises are letting better, but at reduced rentals, and this is as it should be. The owners of this class of property must march with the times and ask rents which can in equity be paid. One owner, wise in his generation, promptly reduced his rent from £1,000 per annum to £750, and consequently obtained a splendid letting for a long term. There is a demand for business premises, but at rents which allow a trader to make a reasonable profit and live.

NEW INDUSTRIES.

One very encouraging feature in this barometer of trade is the growing demand for factories and warehouses. Apart from the acquisition of factories and sites by the big tobacco firms, such as Messrs. Players, Clark and Co. and Wills, big provision firms have leased large premises, and only the other day a fine factory in Rathmines was purchased to start a new and profitable industry employing many hands. This is what is wanted around Dublin and, of course, in other towns—factories and workshops, with the consequent development of industry and the giving of steady employment.

There is still the cry for vacant houses for letting, and even in this rather barren field there has been a change for the better. Houses which do not exceed £1,000 in price, if well kept, sell readily and appeal to many of moderate incomes, who find in this way an excellent form of investment.

One most encouraging sign of the progress that has been made is the sale of well-designed and well-let flats. Within the past month several properties of this class have been sold, and are likely to prove a remunerative investment, even with short leases. Ground rents are also slowly coming back to their old popularity with the cautious investor. The high rates of interest offered by very big concerns, of course, militated against their sale; but there is a quietly increasing demand for such, but as not over fifteen years' purchase.

It is remarkable how city residences have assisted in supplying in some measure the house shortage. Far-sighted people have spent money wisely on this class of house, converting them into residential flats, with the result that, whereas some years ago there were many vacant houses around Fitzwilliam street, Baggot street, Leeson street, etc., there are very few now, with the consequent improvement in their appearance and gain to their owners. I know of one lady who has converted some most deplorable residences into really charming houses, and has incidentally in so doing reaped a comfortable income for herself.

Speaking with an inside knowledge of such matters, I can say that there is a more hopeful outlook for all classes of property, and, as property is a very sensitive barometer, reflecting accurately the state of trade and security, I confidently believe that the improvement which has been shown will continue to gain strength, and that 1924 will be—if owners spend money judiciously on their properties—an even better year in every respect than the year which is now closing.

A nine-year-old girl named Eva Price, of Pontypridd, was killed last night by a motor lorry while carrying her younger brother over a canal bridge.

Thousands of ladies keep a box of Martin's Pills in the house. Those who use them recommend them; hence their enormous sale. Price 5s. Sold by all Chemists and Stores; or post free from Proprietors, Martin Chemists, Southampton.—(Advt.)

MIDNIGHT SCENE IN A VILLAGE.

MILITARY OFFICER SHOT DEAD.

REMARKABLE STORY AT THE INQUEST.

At the adjourned inquest, held by Dr. V. D. Delaney, Coroner, at Ballymahon, Co. Longford, yesterday on the body of Lieutenant Michael J. Keane, of the Free State Army, who was shot while home on leave from the Curragh on the night of Christmas Eve, the jury returned a verdict of death caused by a rifle bullet discharged by the military.

Two sentries, in the custody of the military, were present.

Superintendent Leddy and Inspector Hunt, of the Civic Guards, were in charge of the inquiry. Mr. G. W. Delany, solicitor, appeared for Joseph Nally, Mr. M. M. Kenny, solicitor, for the military authorities; and Mr. Gerald Daly, solicitor, for the next-of-kin of the deceased officer.

Mr. Delany stated that Joseph Nally, for whom he appeared, was under arrest by the military—he did not know on what charge, whether in connection with this matter or not. He understood that Nally was in a very poor condition, having been wounded, and it was necessary to allow him to leave as quickly as possible. If he was to be examined, he would have to be cautioned, and he (Mr. Delany) advised him not to give evidence at this inquest.

Joseph Nally, who appeared with his head in bandages, was cautioned by the Coroner, and declined to give evidence, stating that he would wait until the charge was preferred.

EVIDENCE OF AN EYE-WITNESS.

Michael Carolan, a young man, was then called and examined by Superintendent Leddy. He stated that at about 12 o'clock on the night of Christmas Eve Lieutenant Keane, Joseph Nally, and he were in conversation at Nally's stores. Lieutenant Keane said that he wanted to see his (Carolan's) brother-in-law, Mr. Troy, and asked Nally and the witness to accompany him down. They reached Troy's, and the witness was in the act of opening the door with a latchkey when a sentry challenged them from the opposite side of the street. They heard the sentry shout "Halt!" twice, and click the bolt of his rifle. The sentry ordered them to "get away from that man's door." Keane walked to the corner to meet the sentry.

Superintendent Leddy—How was Lieutenant Keane dressed?

Witness—In civilian clothes.

When Nally and the witness heard Keane arguing at the corner they went towards him and the sentry. Keane had his fountain pen out, demanding the sentry's name and his authority for "holding him up." He asked the sentry did he know who he was. When the witness reached the spot he recognised the sentry, Buckley, and Nally, also Buckley, recognised him at the same time. Buckley said: "Is that you? I am sorry for interrupting you. I was not aware who was at the door." Lieutenant Keane kept persisting, in a more or less aggressive manner, demanding the sentry's name.

Superintendent Leddy—What do you mean by an aggressive manner? He stood up to him all the time and would not add anybody else to speak.

SENTRY AND CORPORAL STRUCK.

Just about that time, said the witness, the corporal who had been inspecting the sentry joined them and advised Keane to keep cool. Just when the witness saw the corporal pass, Keane struck the sentry with his left hand on the right side of the face. At the same time the corporal swung out at Keane. Keane turned on the corporal, hit him a punch and knocked him to the ground.

Coroner—During all this time did you hear the sentry say that he recognised Keane? No, I did not.

Did Keane endeavour to make himself known to the sentry at that time? At that time, no.

What happened after that?

The witness replied that he stooped down to pick up the corporal's cap from where it had fallen between his feet. "When I straightened myself," added the witness, "Keane was rushing for the sentry again. I broke his left arm to keep him back, and he struck me on the right jaw—under the jaw bone."

The witness, continuing, said that when he pulled himself together he saw Keane attacking the sentry again. Nally at this time was at his right hand, and owing to the way that Keane was attacking the sentry the sentry ran away. The witness saw a rifle in Nally's hand, and he saw Keane following the sentry a short distance across the street.

The Coroner—Could you see, when the sentry was running away, whether he had a rifle?—When I turned round Nally had a rifle in his hand.

Could you see if the sentry had a rifle in his hand when he was running away? By all I could see he had not.

The witness remarked that Nally was examining the rifle himself.

Superintendent Leddy—Could you say that it was the sentry's rifle?—It did not strike me to inquire whether it was or not. I only saw one rifle.

The witness said that he asked Nally to examine the rifle and see if it was safe, and Nally said that it was safe, and Keane at this time was standing in the middle of the street looking after the sentry.

THE LIEUTENANT SHOT.

To Superintendent Leddy—He did not see Nally grip the rifle while it was in the hands of the sentry. While they were talking between themselves at Troy's door, two soldiers came up Green lane and Keane went across to meet them. The corporal had picked himself up and was out of sight. The witness and Nally followed Lieutenant Keane. Nally carrying the rifle all the time. The witness knew the two soldiers. One was the soldier Buckley, and the other Tom Fitzmaurice. He saw that Fitzmaurice had a grip of Keane by the coat in his right hand. Buckley said: "Michael John, you know me and I know you." Fitzmaurice was asking Keane to be quiet, but Keane was still more aggressive towards Buckley. No hour-handkerchief on his jaw, where he was struck. Buckley ran away, dodging Keane. Keane said that he wanted to have a chat with that man, meaning Buckley, and Nally and the witness stepped back, Nally still had the rifle. The witness had a rifle, too. Shortly afterwards he heard two shots ring out in quick succession.

The Coroner—Who fired the shots, as far as you could see?

Witness—Fitzmaurice fired, and at the same time I saw Keane drop.

Superintendent Leddy—How far was Fitzmaurice from you at the time?—About twelve or fifteen yards.

As the shots were fired where was Nally?—I could only see Fitzmaurice and Keane; then Keane dropped about four yards away from me.

At the time the shots were fired, could Nally have been near Keane?—I do not know where he was; I did not bother my head at the time.

Replying to further questions, the witness said that after the two shots were fired he went off for a priest and doctor. After Keane fell to the ground he heard two further shots.

The Coroner—Did you see anybody fire them?—I saw Fitzmaurice with a rifle in his hand, and I know that the shots were fired from his direction and towards me.

Did you see him actually fire the shots?—No.

Superintendent Leddy — Did you see the flashes?—No, I saw Fitzmaurice come up and strike Nally with a rifle, and he fell to the ground. "Afterwards," said witness, "with Fitzmaurice, I helped to bring Nally home, and later saw Keane's dead body at the Civic Guard barracks."

Questioned by Mr. Kenny, for the military authorities, the witness said that the attack on the sentry was made by the deceased. He thought that the deceased was hot-tempered in striking Private Buckley. He saw Buckley crying, and he appeared to be frightened out of his life. He saw Nally with a rifle in his hand, which he thought it strange for a civilian to have at that late hour of night.

Mr. Delaney and Mr. Daly objected to the line of cross-examination.

Mr. Kenny said that he wanted to show that the shot was fired in self-defence.

MEDICAL EVIDENCE.

Dr. Charles A. Kenny was then examined, and said that between 12 and 1 o'clock on Christmas morning he was called by the Civic Guards to see a man who was wounded down the street. He went out and saw a man lying on the street, and on examination found that life was extinct. He asked the Guards to take the body to the barracks, which they did, and on examining it found a bullet wound which passed through the chest wall. There was no trace of singeing on the flesh. The wound was sufficient to cause death, which was due to shock and hemorrhage.

The jury found as follows:—We find that the deceased met his death by a rifle bullet discharged by the military on the street of Ballymahon on Christmas morning.

THE FUNERAL.

The funeral of Lieutenant Keane took place to the family burial ground at Shrule on Thursday, and was accorded military honours. The coffin was followed by a contingent of the 24th Battalion of the Army, with arms reversed, under the command of Captain Dixon. The "Last Post" was sounded and three volleys were fired over the grave by a military firing party.

Amongst the numerous wreaths was one from the officers and men of the 23rd Battalion of the National Army at Ballymahon.

CO. KERRY MURDER.

CHARGE AGAINST TWO OFFICERS.

Captain William McLean and Captain Robert Walsh, of the National Army, were charged at Tralee last evening, before District Justice Johnson, with having at the Ballymullen Barracks, Tralee, on the 12th December, harboured Lieutenant Jeremiah Gaffney, of the National Army, who, with others, was charged with the wilful murder of Thomas Brosnan, at Scartaglin, on the 6th December.

Mr. Liston, State Solicitor, appeared to prosecute. Mr. D. J. Browne represented Captain McLean, and it was stated that Mr. Knight, solicitor, Dublin, was engaged for the defence of Captain Walsh.

Chief Superintendent Hannigan gave formal evidence of the arrest.

After being charged and cautioned, Captain Walsh stated that he would reserve his defence.

Both prisoners were remanded in custody until to-day to facilitate Capain Walsh in getting his solicitor from Dublin.

AMUSEMENTS.

NEXT WEEK'S DUBLIN PROGRAMMES.

The opening week of the pantomime season in the Gaiety, Olympia and Queen's Theatres was an unusually successful one, and there is every sign that the audiences next week will be just as large and enthusiastic. "Dick Whittington" is at the Gaiety Theatre, "Aladdin" at the Olympia and "Cinderella" at the Queen's.

"Hotch Potch" will be performed at the Theatre Royal next week. There will be picturesque costumes, pretty dances and "catchy" music in the fourteen scenes to be staged. The cast includes Stephen Adeson, Jessie and Cicile Compton, Ouida MacDermott, Frank Couch, Kitty Kirwan, Jack Browning, Harry Ashton and the "Hotch Potch Beauties."

The Dixie Minstrels will perform again next week at the Tivoli Theatre. In addition to their usual patter and songs they will produce a new sketch. Other artists appearing are Kinahan Kids, entertainers; Benson Gray, ventriloquist, and The Three Krakes, in "Fun on a Tramcar."

The second presentation of Mr. Brinsley McNamara's latest three-act comedy, "The Glorious Uncertainty," will be given at the Abbey Theatre next week. The comedy was well received on the occasion of its first production a few weeks ago. The first production of "The Old Woman Remembers," a poem by Lady Gregory, will also be given.

Next week's programme at the Princess Cinema, Rathmines, is:—Monday—Barbara Castleton and Lewis Stone in "The Child Thou Gavest Me"; Thursday—House Peters and Claire Windsor in "Rich Men's Wives."

The principal picture at the Carlton Cinema during the week will be "Arabia," in which the leading rôle is played by Tom Mix.

TRAVELLERS AND TRADE

AN IMPROVED OUTLOOK.

At the annual general meeting of the Irish Commercial Travellers' Federation, in the Broadway Soda Fountain, Sackville street, Dublin, Mr. Matthew O'Flanagan presided, and there was a good attendance of the members.

The Chairman, in the course of his address, said that the three most notable achievements of the Federation in the year had been largely increased membership; material assistance to men who had been deprived of sums of money to which they were legitimately entitled; and, thirdly, a magnificent spirit of comradeship. There was cause for thankfulness that the year 1923 had been unquestionably the most successful in the history of the Federation. One of the gratifying features of the movement was the large number of men with long service on the road who had been enrolled as members. Their Federation was the only one which offered protection to its members, and its fundamental principle was to prevent victimisation or unjust treatment. He called attention to the pernicious practice on the part of some employers of replacing by an office boy or some youngster who was satisfied to work for any salary the seasoned traveller who had built up a magnificent connection. They were out to expose and destroy rapacity of that kind.

Recent events encouraged the belief that brighter days were before them, and that the Irish Free State, with the loyal co-operation of all its sons and daughters, would be enabled to usher in an era of peace and prosperity.

THE REPORTS.

Mr. P. Holland read the Hon. Treasurer's report, which stated that they began 1921 in debt, and closed with over £100 to credit. At the end of 1922 they had on hands £136 16s. 2d., and at present they had over £220 to credit. The Council decided to apply for £200 Stock in the National Loan, and their application was accepted for the full amount.

The report of the Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. Kilmurry, stated that certain difficulties which their members had to contend with during the previous twelve months and well into the present year had, happily, disappeared. From the business point of view, 1923 had been, perhaps, one of the worst years ever experienced in this country; but, with the restoration of normal conditions and an undoubtedly improved financial credit, the corner had been turned, and the prospects before the country were very bright and the promise of improved trade very great.

Senator McKean proposed a resolution declaring the Federation worthy of the support of all commercial travellers. In the course of references to the political and industrial conditions of the country, he said that the interests of the commercial travellers were inseparably linked up with these conditions, as they were brought into intimate touch with the commerce and finance of the country. The Land Act which had been passed eliminated for ever the dreaded landlord from the concerns of the farmer. The fall in the price of agricultural produce and foreign competition put the future of the farmer doubtful, and he must adopt new and more scientific methods if he wished to make his calling pay. During the last year the country was constantly upset by labour troubles. It was evident that some tribunals must be devised in which capital and labour would have equal confidence to prevent these disastrous struggles.

The motion was supported by Mr. P. Holland, Mr. M. O'Leary, and Mr. Bannon, all of whom spoke strongly of the necessity for supporting the Federation.

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SERVICES AND ANTHEMS.

SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS.

St. Patrick's Cathedral.—8, Holy Communion. 11.15, Matins. Psalm cxlix.; Te Deum, Jubilate, Noble in Anthem, "For behold, darkness. For unto us a Child is born" (Handel). Hymns 85, 91. "It was the midnight clock." Preacher, the Rev. Canon Gregg, D.D., Chancellor. 12.15, Holy Communion. Offering for Cathedral Mission to the Four Provinces. Preacher, the Rev. A. H. McNeile, D.D., Chancellor. 3.15, Evensong. Magn. N. Dim. Nobis in B minor. Anthem, "Hallelujah" (Handel). Hymns 561, 11, 7. O God, our help in ages past." Psalm cxxxii. "Rejoice, ye shepherds." Preacher, the Rev. A. H. McNeile, D.D., Chancellor. Offertories for Cathedral Mission to the Four Provinces.—Christ Church Cathedral.—11, Matins. Psalms 148, 150. Te Deum Benedictus. Smart in F. Introit, 160. Jubilate (Pearsall). 11.40, Holy Communion. Anthem, Smart in F. Evensong. 3.15. Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis. Gleadelough. Hymns 95, 327. 3.30, Evensong. Psalms 8, 48. Magn. and Nunc Dim. Smart in F. Anthem, "There were shepherds" (Handel). Hymns 85 (Sedi. Curæ).

Royal Hospital, Kilmainham.—8, Holy Communion.

11, Morning Prayer.

St. Matthias's Parish Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Litany. Rev. H. K. Woodward. 3, Children's Service. 6.30, Evening Prayer. Rev. W. N. Harvey.

Clontarf Parish Church.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. Offertories for Protestant Orphan Society and Smyly Homes.

St. Ann's Church.—8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 10 and 11.30; Rev. J. F. L. Oulton. 3.30 and 7, Rev. T. W. Crosbie.

Rathmines Parish Church.—8 and 10, Holy Communion. 11, Litany. 11.50, Rev. W. J. E. Dawson. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Rev. H. G. Fenton.

Christ Church, Leeson Park.—8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. A. E. Hughes. 3.30 and 7, Rev. W. Bell.

St. Columba's Church, Rathgar.—8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. W. Bell. 7, Rev. H. Greer.

St. Stephen's.—8, Holy Communion. 10, Matins and sermon. 11.30, Matins (Service, Sullivan in D) and Holy Communion, with address. 3, Children's Service. 7, Evensong (Service, Garrett in D) and sermon.

St. Catherine's.—11.30, Holy Communion. 7, Evensong and Carol Service.

St. Andrew's Church.—11.30, Rev. R. Northridge. 4, Children's Service. 7, Holy Communion; Rev. R. Northridge.

Mission to the Deaf, Dawson street.—3.15, Rev. F. A. Elliott.

St. Jude's, Kilmainham.—11.30, Morning Prayer. 3.30, Young People's Service. 7, Rev. F. W. Coster.

St. George's.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Holy Communion; Rev. A. Clarke. 7, Rev. J. S. Cummins.

St. Aidan's.—11.30, Holy Communion; Rev. J. W. Cousins. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Rev. A. Greer.

St. Augustine's.—11.30, Rev. G. J. F. Vesselnghe. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Holy Communion; Rev. Fayne Greer.

The Three Church.—11.30, Holy Communion; Rev. Fayne Greer. 7, Rev. G. J. F. Vesselnghe.

All Saints', Grangegorman.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Matins and Holy Communion; Rev. E. H. F. Campbell. 7, Evensong and Carol Service.

St. Werburgh's Parish Church.—11.15, Morning Service and Holy Communion; Rev. W. J. McCreery. 3.30 and 7, Rev. A. S. Bissett.

St. Mark's.—8.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. J. Carson. 7, Rev. O. H. Hall.

St. Bartholomew's Church.—11, Holy Communion. 11, Matins and Sermon. Rector's Mass. 12, Sung Eucharist, with procession. 3.30, Young People's Service. 6.30, Litany and Sermon. 7, Evensong and Address. Rev. Walter Simpson.

Drumcondra Parish.—8, Holy Communion. 12, Rev. H. G. Carr. 4, Rev. W. H. Coulter. 7, Canon N. J. D. White.

North Strand Parish.—11.30, Canon N. J. D. White. 7, Evening Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. H. C. Orr.

Church of the Female Orphan House, N.C.R.—10.15, Holy Communion. 11.30 and 7, Rev. W. Walford Tarr.

St. Kevin's, S.C.R.—8.30, Rev. C. H. Maguire. 11.30, Holy Communion; Rev. Canon Hall. 7, Rev. A. Morrow.

St. Mary's Parish Church.—10 and 7, Rev. J. W. Bourke.

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St. Catherine's Church.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. 7, Rev. A. Armstrong.

St. Victor's Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Canon Thompson. 3, Children's Service. 7, Rev. Victor Vesey.

St. Peter's.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. J. Ingram. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Rev. H. W. Tobias.

St. Michan's.—11.30, Rev. E. L. Ledwich.

St. Paul's.—11.30, Holy Communion. Rev. R. J. Young. 7, Rev. L. Beck.

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PIANO, Thursday, 10th Jan., 1924, at 4 p.m.
VIOLIN, Thursday, 10th Jan., 1924, at 11.30.
VIOLONCELLO, Friday, 11th Jan., 1924, at 11.30.
SINGING, Tuesday, 8th Jan., 1924, at 12 noon.
Reclamation on inquiry.
Forms of Application and Prospectuses, with fees, particulars as to EVENING and other Classes, can be obtained at the Academy.
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P. J. MARTIN, Secretary.
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In addition to the FREE TICKETS FOR CHILDREN, a limited number are available for the public, price one shilling each, and can be had at Messrs. Pigott's, or at the doors.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FREE NIGHT SHELTER,
BACK LANE, DUBLIN.
List of Subscriptions, in response to the Appeal at Public Meeting on 16th inst., appears on Page 1 of this issue.

THE DUBLIN SAVINGS BANK,
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(Established 1818).
Certified under the 26th and 27th Vic., Cap. 87.
In conformity with the Act 26th and 27th Victoria, cap. 87, sec. 6, the Trustees and Managers of this Bank hereby require the Depositors to produce their Pass Books for Examination by the Auditor on any of the following days:—
Thursday, 27th December, 1923,
Friday, 28th December, 1923,
Saturday, 29th December, 1923,
Monday, 31st December, 1923,
Tuesday, 1st January, 1924.
From half-past 2 till 5 p.m.
The attention of Depositors is specially directed to the duty of producing their Books for Examination at the Bank each year, as required by Rule 26, sec. 7, for the purpose of testing the correctness of their accounts.
By Order,
HENRY L. BOURKE, Actuary.

NOTICE.
IRIS OIFIGIUIL.
(DUBLIN GAZETTE.)
Commencing with the issue of 1st January, 1924, "Iris Oifigiuil" will be published from the Stationery Office, 72 Middle Abbey street, Dublin, and all communications for insertion therein should be addressed to that office.
Under the new arrangements, advertisements should reach the Stationery Office not later than 2 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, being the days preceding publication.
New scales of advertisements have been adopted in certain cases, and the particular attention of Solicitors and others is drawn to the alteration in the rates for the insertion of
Bankruptcy Notices, and
Notices of Charitable Bequests,
which will in future be charged for 100 words and under, 15/-, and 7/6 extra for each additional 50 words or part of 50 words.
Subscribers to "Iris Oifigiuil" are hereby notified that subscriptions should in future be forwarded to the Stationery Office.
Messrs. Eason will, from 1st proximo, be the Sale Agents for single copies of the Journal.
W. H. CO. CONTROLLER, Stationery Office.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.
DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS ACT, 1898.
ELECTION OF ELECTIVE MEMBERS.
The Dublin Port and Docks Board hereby give Notice:—
1. That an Election of FOUR TRADERS' MEMBERS and THREE SHIPPING MEMBERS OF THE DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS BOARD will be held between the hours of 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 8th day of JANUARY, 1924, at the PORT AND DOCKS OFFICES, 20 WESTMORELAND STREET, DUBLIN.
2. Each Candidate must be nominated by writing subscribed by two Electors as Proposer and Seconder, and the Nomination Paper must be duly signed by the Candidate, or some person duly authorised by him, in writing, for such purpose, as consenting to such Nomination.
3. The Nomination Paper must state the surname and other names of the Candidate, with his abode or place of business and description, and must specify whether the Candidate is proposed as a "TRADERS'" Member or as a "SHIPPING" Member, and the Nomination Paper may be in the following form or to the like effect:—

NOMINATION PAPER.
DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS ACT, 1898.
Election of Elective Members of the Board.
To be Held on
Tuesday, the 8th day of January 1924.

We, the undersigned, being respectively Electors, hereby nominate the following person as a Candidate:

Surname.	Other Names.	Abode or Place of Business	Description.
Smith.	William Henry.	100 City quay.	Timber Merchant.

The above-named William Henry Smith is proposed as a "..... Member.
*(State whether Traders' Member or Shipping Member.)

Signature.	Number on Register of Electors.
Thomas Jones.	350
James Robinson.	760

I, the above-named William Henry Smith, hereby consent to being nominated as a Candidate at the said Election.
Dated this ..... day of 19
(Signed) WILLIAM HENRY SMITH.
*(Signature of Candidate or person duly authorised to sign the Nomination Paper on his behalf.)
4. Each Candidate must be nominated by a separate Nomination Paper, but the same Electors may subscribe as many Nomination Papers as there are vacancies to be filled, but no more.
5. Nomination Papers must be delivered by the Candidate himself or by his Proposer or Seconder to the Secretary of the Board, or to some person authorised to receive the same at the Office of the Dublin Port and Docks Board, before FOUR o'clock in the afternoon of SATURDAY, the 29th day of DECEMBER, 1923.
6. The Returning Officers will attend at the Office of the DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS BOARD on Monday, the 31st day of December, 1923, for a sufficient time between the hours of two and four o'clock in the afternoon to hear and decide objections to Nomination Papers.
7. Forms of Nomination Paper may be obtained at the Office of the Secretary of the Board, PORT AND DOCKS OFFICE, DUBLIN.
Dated this 20th day of December, 1923.
E. H. BAILEY, Secretary.

The Irish Times

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1923.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

At a special court at Tralee yesterday Captain William McLean and Captain Robert Walsh were remanded until to-day on a charge of having harboured Lieutenant Gaffney, who is accused, with others, of the murder of Thomas Brosnan.—(Page 4.)

John Scully was returned for trial at Tralee yesterday on a charge of having "held up" the Rev. Andrew O'Sullivan, C.C., with intent to rob him.—(Page 4.)

It is reported that the proposal to transfer the meeting place of the Free State Parliament to Kilmainham has been abandoned.—(Page 7.)

At an inquest in Ballymahon, County Longford yesterday, on the body of Lieutenant Michael Keane, of the Free State Army, who was shot dead in the street in Ballymahon on Christmas Eve, the jury found that death was due to a rifle bullet discharged by the military.—(Page 4.)

A coroner's jury at Ballyadden, near Birr, returned a verdict of wilful murder against some person or persons unknown in the case of Thomas Coady, whose bullet-riddled body was found at the foot of the stairs in his own house on St. Stephen's Night.—(Page 4.)

When the porters at Queenstown struck last evening Free State soldiers were employed to discharge the mails of a United States liner.—(Page 7.)

We print to-day an important statement of the position with regard to the proposed reduction of pay in the Dublin Metropolitan Police Force.—(Page 7.)

A man named Thomas Carney, a small farmer, of Cloonfallagh, a village in the Claremorris district, was shot dead in his doorway on Thursday night. He was talking to a relative when a shot was fired, and Carney fell dead.—(Page 4.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

Sixty-two fresh cases of foot-and-mouth disease were confirmed yesterday in Great Britain. All occurred in areas in which previous outbreaks had been reported.—(Page 7.)

In an article which he has written on his recent tour of America, Mr. Lloyd George states that he discovered that the attitude of Irishmen towards Great Britain has been completely changed by the setting up of a Free State in Ireland.—(Page 7.)

ABROAD.

M. Eiffel, the constructor of the famous tower in Paris, has died at the age of 91.—(Page 7.)

In a striking message to the "noble British peoples," King Hussein pleads for the recognition of the Arabs' right to occupy Palestine as an independent nation.—(Page 7.)

The captain of the Dixmude has been found drowned in the Mediterranean. It is now believed that the airship has been lost with all hands.—(Page 7.)

The Japanese Minister for Home Affairs has accepted responsibility for the attempt to assassinate the Prince Regent.—(Page 7.)

Pirates distributed among the passengers of the British steamer Hydrangea, on a voyage from Hong Kong to Sevatow, seized the vessel, which they ran aground and looted.—(Page 8.)

FINANCIAL.

London Stock Markets were in a hesitating mood and business was small. British Funds were supported.—(Page 11.)

The Treasury bill tenders were surprisingly low, and discount rates had to be correspondingly adjusted. Money into the new year was again in strong demand.—(Page 11.)

In Dublin Guinness Shares were again bought, and closed at 38 13-16, after touching 39.—(Page 11.)

SPORTING.

At Newbury yesterday Charlie Wise won the Reading Steeplechase.—(Page 10.)

Shipping and Trade.

Of all the many industries in which the people of these islands are interested shipping, perhaps, is the most important. The condition of the shipping industry serves as an index to the prosperity of trade. In an article which is printed in a special number of the *Glasgow Herald* to-day, Mr. Grant Barclay, President of the Shipbuilding Employers' Federation, gives a very interesting analysis of the present situation. The shipbuilding industry is improving, but it still has an enormous amount of leeway to overhaul. In the last generation before the war the construction of ships of war gave a great stimulus to the industry. The nations were vieing with one another in the building of big vessels, and there was more than enough work for everybody. When the war came plant and *personnel* in Great Britain were increased by some thirty *per cent.* in order to cope with the ever-growing demand for merchant tonnage, and at the end of 1918 the industry was in a highly flourishing condition. Then naval building stopped, and gradually the demand for tonnage fell until it almost vanished. The shipbuilding industry then found itself with nearly double the facilities which it had before the war and also with double the number of workmen, but, to all intents and purposes, without orders. During the last three years the quarterly average for new tonnage was only 150,000, compared with 500,000 for the three years which preceded the war.

According to Mr. Barclay, however, the last quarter of the present year has shown a marked improvement. Despite a long stoppage in the earlier part of the year, the quarterly average has been 236,000 tons, of which the largest proportion has been turned out by Belfast. Nevertheless, the outlook is serious. There is a present surplus of thirty *per cent.* over pre-war world tonnage, and trade continues to languish, chiefly as a result of the chaotic condition of affairs in Central Europe. Twenty-one *per cent.* of the existing ships are more than twenty years old; yet owners seem to be very chary of replacing them while business is so bad. The same problem confronts every maritime country. The Vice-President of the American Steamship Owners' Association declared on Wednesday, in New York, that American shipping was losing ground steadily. Only one-third of the imports of the United States is being carried in American bottoms, and Mr. Marvin asserted that some measure of protection was essential to the continued existence of the American mercantile marine. The fact is that ships are useless unless they can find goods to carry. The present depression must continue so long as there is no improvement in the political situation in Europe. Everything depends ultimately on reparations. When the financial problem has been settled shipping, like everything else, will be revived.

Even Dublin, which has little or no direct interest in the *haute politique* of Europe, is affected by the "stump" in shipbuilding. Some months ago it was announced that Messrs. Vickers had taken over the Dublin Dockyards, and optimists sprang immediately to the conclusion that a thriving industry was about to be created. Unfortunately, the world position is so bad that there seems to be little likelihood of Dublin's becoming a shipbuilding centre for a long time to come. Values have fallen so heavily that a new concern would have the greatest difficulty in working at a profit against the keen competition of the old-established firms in Belfast and on the Clyde. Matters will not be always so bad as they are now, however, and when trade begins to brighten the Dublin Dockyards will get their chance. In the meanwhile every effort ought to be concentrated on the improvement of world conditions. The Free State has set a good example to Europe during the last year, and, if other countries could put their houses in order with like rapidity, there would be small ground for complaint against them. At present half Europe is arming against the other half, honest work is at a discount, and, with the exceptions of Italy and Czecho-Slovakia, none of the Continental nations is making the slightest attempt to straighten its finances. In the circumstances optimism concerning the shipping, or, for that matter, any other industry, would be foolish. There is some consolation, however, in the knowledge that the present situation cannot last for ever, and that, in Britain and Ireland at any rate, men are setting their minds again to the constructive tasks of life.

The Tailteann Games.

Nobody likes to discourage honest enthusiasm, and the Free State's Postmaster-General is an honest enthusiast in the matter of the Tailteann Games. Mr. Walsh's project is entirely admirable, alike in its patriotic pride, its Pindaric feeling for the dignity of athletics and its shrewd eye to economic gain. He proposes at once to celebrate and to advertise the birth of the Free State by an athletic festival which will attract the "sea-divided Gael," his sons and grandsons, to Dublin from all parts of the world. The widest scope is given to the term "athletics"; the Tailteann Games will be graced not only with the play of nerve and muscle, but with the charms of music and art and letters. Already the Games have suffered postponement on account of the country's unsettled conditions; but that difficulty is now less formidable, and, as we understand, definite arrangements have been made for the festival in August of the coming year. Mr. Walsh expects that one hundred thousand visitors will come to Dublin from the United States and, in that proportion, Great Britain, the Dominions and Ireland's friends on the Continent of Europe ought to send another twenty or thirty thousand. If nothing "gangs agley," therefore, and if the Games are an athletic and social success, Dublin and the whole country ought to benefit vastly by Mr. Walsh's conception. Here, however, as in most other matters of high emprise, "the readiness is all." Just as successful Games would do much good to Ireland, unsuccessful Games would do her a deal of harm. This is a case in which no risks ought to be taken. Has the Committee eliminated all the risks of failure? It is a rather bad omen that disquieting doubts are beginning to be expressed in perfectly friendly quarters. In the first place, athletic authorities say that the sport has fared badly during our recent years of strife, is only starting to recover, and needs a longer period of preparation if our home-bred skill is to make anything like a fair show against highly-trained competitors from overseas. An Irish athletic festival that merely exposed the athletic weakness of Ireland would be a misfortune and would leave an unpleasant taste in Irish mouths. In the next place, how does the Committee propose to accommodate the host of visitors, who certainly will be disappointed if they are called upon to endure any sort of hardship or inconvenience during a holiday trip? There is a lamentable shortage of good hotels in Dublin and throughout the country at the present time. Again, are our Irish roads fit to minister to the ease of all the visitors who will wish to radiate from Dublin to the wilds of Kerry, Connemara and Donegal? The Committee ought to look these difficulties steadily in the face without further delay, and ought not to console themselves with the facile assurance that "it will be all right on the night." The public will welcome a definite statement on these points from Mr. Walsh and the Committee. If there is no certainty that the Games can be held without a hitch in the coming year, the country, we think, would prefer to reconcile itself to a further postponement for another twelve months. Even without the Games, the summer of 1924 will not be a social or sporting *hiatus* in Dublin. We shall have the Horse Show, a revival of tourist traffic and, if fortune favours us, the notable attraction of the International Motor Road Race.

Winter Sports.

This season is seeing an extraordinary increase of interest in the winter sports in the Alps. Thousands of British tourists are crossing to the Oberland, Chamonix and Cauterets to enjoy the wondrous scenery—which now seems to be detaching itself in large segments—to go bobsleighing, to practise the Scandinavian ski-ing and the Scottish "curling," and to come home with faces burned dark by the snow-reflected sun. The admirable hotel service and the rates of exchange have made such a holiday comparatively cheap. A generation ago the winter sports were almost unknown; to-day they promise to lose the flavour of adventure in becoming a mere fashion. A movement is afoot, impelled by this season's vogue, to establish a winter sports centre at home. It is pointed out that the Cairngorms in Scotland offer a perfect field for ski-ers and skaters for three winter months. There is, however, as yet no adequate hotel accommodation for ski-ing visitors, and against the length of the journey to the Alps must be set the attractions, for many people, of Continental life. Hence Scotland is unlikely to divert any large body of the winter sportsfolk from the Continent. This is, perhaps, regrettable; for Britons still know too little of their own land. In the days when the "grand tour" was held to be a necessary part of education Dr. Johnson's journey to the North had the character of an explorer's voyage; and he once said that the Giant's Causeway might be worth seeing, "but not worth going to see." To our townspeople to-day the highlands and islands are more foreign-seeming than foreign lands. Dr. Yeats has said that something wonderful would have happened in literature if Shelley had chained his Prometheus to a Welsh or a Scottish rock; but our own majestic scenery has yet to be assumed into the common imagination.

"Comrades."

Russian Communism is not a happy family. The latest trouble has occurred in the offices of its official and notorious newspaper, the *Pravda*. Less than a month ago the Central Committee of the Communist Party decided to recognise every member's right to discuss the party's affairs. Encouraged by this liberal gesture, the staff of the *Pravda* began to give impartial publicity to the views of the contending cliques at headquarters; but the trustful journalists were brought quickly to book. Zinovieff, the Chairman of the Third International, demanded that the *Pravda* should publish nothing with out his sanction, whereupon the news editor, Konstantinoff, resigned his post. He was succeeded by one Vigilianesky, for whom also the censorship proved to be too oppressive. He, with several of his colleagues, took the key of the street, and now Zinovieff and his friends are in complete control of the Communist organ. It is believed that they were forced to put a muzzle on the *Pravda* by the pressure of Trotsky, whom they fear to offend, though they distrust him deeply—witness Zinovieff's bitter remark that Trotsky "supports" the Communist policy "just as a rope supports a hanged man." In the meanwhile the revolt of the Konstantinoffs and Vigilianskys is finding expression in many disconcerting ways, and it is significant that they have begun to denounce the ruling faction as "leisured comrades." Now that the thieves are falling out at Moscow, we may hope that honest Russians soon will come by their own.

A GREAT OPERATIC ARTIST.

DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM LUDWIG.

We regret to learn that Mr. William Ludwig, the great Irish baritone, died after a long illness, at his residence, in West Kensington, London, on Christmas Day.

Not in his native Dublin only, but wherever Grand Opera is known, the death of William Ludwig will cause something of a pang; for he was more than a distinguished singer. He was an artist of rare versatility and power; in certain of the greater operatic roles he was pre-eminent. If we search out the reason of his power we shall find it, not alone in his rare voice, not in his personality, now yet again, in that which we call temperament, but in the happy union of all three with an interpretative gift illumined by poetical imagination.

Hence, when Ludwig lived a part like that of Vanderdekken or Hans Sachs, or one of the Mozartian roles,

"he knew
Himself to sing, and build the lofty rhyme."

He was perhaps the greatest Vanderdekken of his day. Wagner is said to have given him a score of "The Flying Dutchman, inscribed "To the incomparable Vanderdekken." So complete, indeed, was Ludwig's art that even the most trivial operatic role, or the most trifling ballad became a thing of beauty through the magic of his treatment.

He was born in Dublin, so long ago as July 15, 1847; was educated at the Christian Brothers' Schools, North Richmond street, and sang for a time in the choir of St. Paul's Church, Arran quay, with Mr. J. J. Fagan, the life-long friend, through whom the news of Ludwig's death is given to the Irish people. For a time he played small parts in the Gaiety Theatre, Strand, under the management of Mr. John Hollingshead, and it is said that his family name of Ledwidge was so persistently misprinted Ludwig in the programmes that he was driven to adopt the misprint in the end.

After engagements with small opera companies Ludwig joined the Carl Rosa Company, and had as his contemporary Mr. (afterwards Sir Charles) Santley. So great was Santley's admiration for his Irish colleague that on retiring from the operatic stage he left his valuable wardrobe to him as a parting gift. Ludwig's Vanderdekken caused a sensation in the operatic world. He was invited to America to play and sing it there. The tour was a success, and Ludwig was prevailed upon to pay a second visit some years later. He was still unrivalled in the part of Vanderdekken, when an affection of the throat compelled an operation which deprived him of his voice. Mr. T. P. O'Connor and some of his artistic friends arranged a benefit concert, Sir Herbert Tree gave the use of His Majesty's Theatre, and the receipts enabled Ludwig's friends to purchase him an annuity, on which he lived since his retirement from the stage.

THE REV. CANON GREER.

The Canonry in Christ Church Cathedral which was held by the late Canon Jennings has been conferred on the Rev. F. W. Greer, Rector of St. George's Pariah, Dublin.

Mr. Greer was ordained thirty-six years ago. Having served for two years as curate of Templemichael, Longford, and five in Zion Church, Rathgar, he became Rector of St. Catherine's Parish in 1894, and subsequently Rector of St. George's in 1909. When he was in charge of St. Catherine's several new buildings were erected, and what is virtually a new parish was organised and developed in the neighbourhood of the South Circular road. St. Victor's Church and the new rectory, St. Catherine's new schools and teachers' residence are a lasting monument to his organising activity. It was during his ministry that branches of the Boys' Brigade, the Girls' Brigade, and other organisations were founded in St. Catherine's Parish, and parochial institutions—as the almshouse, the orphanage, etc.—were repaired and improved.

In St. George's a similar round of work has been accomplished. The parish church has been repaired and improved throughout and the organ (now one of the best in Dublin) rebuilt and enlarged. The old churches known as St. Augustine's and the Free Church, which were in danger of being closed, have been joined, through Mr. Greer's instrumentality, to the parish organisation, and now the parish of St. George, comprising four churches and five thousand Church people, is under the spiritual care of Mr. Greer and his three curates.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"Dick Whittington and his Cat," 2 and 7.30 p.m.
Theatre Royal—"Partners Again," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"Cinderella," 2.30, 6.45, and 9.
Olympia Theatre—"Aladdin," 2, 6.45, and 9 p.m.
Abbey Theatre—"First Aid" and "The Whiteheaded Boy," 2.30 and 8 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre—The Dixie Minstrels, 6.45 and 9.
Metropole Cinema—"Mamma's Affair."
La Scala Theatre—"The Wandering Jew," 3 to 10.30 p.m.
Princess Cinema, Rathmines—"Grandma's Boy."
Corinthian Picture House—"When Romance Rides."
Grafton Picture House—"Racing Hearts," 1 to 10.30 p.m.
Pavilion, Dun Laoghaire—"Just Tony," 4.10, 6.30, and 9.5 p.m.
Mr. Walter McNally presents "Hansel and Gretel"—Theatre Royal, 2.30 and 8 p.m.
Town Hall, Dalkey—Nativity Play, 3.30 p.m.
Nominations for Port and Docks Board Elections.
Empire Theatre Company—Meeting, 72 Dame Street, 12 o'clock.
Children's Carnival—Metropole Ballroom, 3 p.m.

M. VENIZELOS.

ATHENS, Friday.

To-day being the name day of M. Venizelos, there was a *Te Deum* in the Cathedral, the members of the Government being present. The creation of an elective Senate is regarded as certain by some newspapers.—(Reuter.)

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The Prince of Wales, who has a number of engagements for next week, is expected to leave York Cottage to-day for London. Prince Henry has left Norfolk to rejoin his regiment.

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Princess Helena Victoria is among the guests of the Marquis and Marchioness of Londonderry at Wynyard Park. Lady Patricia Ramsay is expecting her husband back shortly, and the *Admiralty Gazette* on Thursday contained the following:—"Captain the Hon. Alexander R. M. Ramsay to the

...DON LETTER.

...VERNMENT'S PLANS.

...FLEET STREET, LONDON,
FRIDAY NIGHT.

...expected that there will be a ...Cabinet on Wednesday next, ...meeting will be the first of a ...necessary by the approaching ...Parliament. The Prime ...said to be awaiting a report ...der Eyres Monsell, the Con... ...of Whips, as to the attitude ...likely to be taken by the ...parties. In Government circles ...idea that the Opposition will ...*coup de grâce* without delay, ...mit the Government to clear ...financial business. Whether ...l come on a vote of censure ...Mr. Macdonald, or by Mr. ...nains to be seen, but it is ...Mr. Macdonald has the prior ...to such a motion. The Prime ...is understood in his imme... ...will, if defeated, advise the ...d for the head of the party ...ote of censure.

...he principal items on the ...da next week will be the draft... ...eech to be delivered from the ...he official opening of Parlia... ...uary 15th—the Government's ... so to speak. It will be ...greeable nor an easy task. As ...wo views in the Cabinet re... ...advisability of holding an ...here will, probably, be when ...drawing the moral from the ...y that it has been held.

...on Policy.

...divergent opinions are ex... ...the subject. A considerable ...e party points to the fact that ...a Protectionist programme ...cally the same number of votes ...h a year before, when Mr. Bonar ...of "no fiscal changes" was ..., accordingly, draws the infer... ...e great mass of Conservative ...rotectionists and would like to ...win's policy not merely main... ...extended.

...nsiderable section believes, on ..., that many votes were given ...al candidates not because, but ...the Protectionist policy, and ...he ground that Mr. Baldwin ...kely to give the country the ...nistration that it needed than ...Ramsay Macdonald, with his ..., or Mr. Asquith, with the ...d again at his side.

...se Split.

...reme Tariff Reformers should ...persuading Mr. Baldwin that ...of the election was but a ...set-back for Protection, and ...only to embroider it in larger ...s banner and nail that banner ...mast to secure victory in the ...they will inevitably drive out ...the Conservative Free Traders. ...e in the position of the Peel... ...c...tury, and will ultimately ...y the moderate Liberals.

...Labour.

...al leaders are getting a little ...t the feeling manifest among ...their number that there must ...g out of the Conservatives to ...bour Party in power. It is ...at Liberals are being warned ...will be expected to help in ...Government out, and that ...e no delay in carrying out the ...n. This rather suggests that ...for power between the Labour ...he Liberal Party will not be ... The Conservatives are to be ...f the way, Labour is to be ...ize hold of the administrative ...and then the Liberals are to ...bour and take the Government ...es. How the Liberal Party is ...Labour without the aid of the ...r unknown. It is not easy ...that Mr. Ramsay Macdonald ...them to defeat him by arrange...

...inion.

... there will be much coming ... the political world during the ...ht, and in the course of this ...e feeling among the Liberals ...pression. If it does not, then it ... a matter of fime before these ... obliged to declare themselves. ...hey are not at all vocal, lack... , but that is not to say that ...tent wherever they may be led ...al leaders. At the moment it ...nost certain that a Labour ... will come into power during ...nth, but there is many a slip, ... the old adage, and in a few ...may happen.

...f Wales.

...e of Wales when he goes to ...a is not to travel in a war ...special quarters will be pre... ...m and his staff on board one ...n Castle liners. The Prince ... by May 2nd, and he will re... ...uth Africa for about three ...returning home towards the ...st. The Prince will be met on ...t Cape Town by the Earl of ...Governor-General, and Prin... ...ince they will arrive in South ...al weeks before he is due. ...Alexander, the Comptroller of ...e's Household, with several ...rs of his staff, left for Cape

...rised to read of the death of ...e designer of the great tower ...is name; for I thought that ... long ago. He was close on ...he built his tower for the ...tion of 1889. I well remember ... ascent and how queer the ...s when one reached the top, ...e its substantial construction, ...derably in the wind. M. Eiffel ...eed the life of the tower for ...t he builded better than he ...irty years later it still stands, ...ource of great interest to ... of abiding use to scientific

...union.

... of the Church of England and ... of Rome reunion question ...e been left out of the general ... The Church of England is ...ed one, and plays a consider... ... our public life. It has very ...ments and possessions. The ... law cannot be a Roman ...r may the Lord Chancellor. ...es it desirable that the public ... whether the conversations ...onducted with the knowledge ...nment. It seems unlikely that ...nd, if not, there can be very ...n.

...olic Opinion.

...n Catholics in this country, ...n the comments of the *Universe*, ...organ, are not at all enamoured ...ations which have been taking ...lines. It remarks that "it is ...at the name of not one English ...ears in this connection, and ...rcier was apparently unable ...y the counsel of those of his ..., who know the position at ... Similar conversations in ...Rome in 1896 took place in ... of English Catholic opinion. ...later in the condemnation of ...ers by Pope Leo XIII.''

AIRSHIP MYSTERY DEEPENS.

CAPTAIN'S BODY FOUND IN SEA.

NO TRACE OF THE EX-ZEPPELIN.

SAHARA REPORT NOT BELIEVED.

DISASTER THEORY

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
PARIS, Friday.

The hopes for the safety of the Dixmude, arrived by the reports from Algeria this morning, were shattered but a few hours later. The body of Naval Lieutenant Dupleses has been found in the sea by Italian fishermen six miles off the little fishing place of Sciacca, on the South Coast of Sicily.

The news was communicated by the Italian authorities to the French Naval *Attaché* at Rome this morning, and was given out by the Minister of Marine here shortly before 1 o'clock. Up to the time of writing no wreckage or other traces of the airship has been found, and no second body recovered.

The cruiser Mulhouse and a number of other craft continue to search the sea and the coasts. All doubts as to the identity of the body have been removed this afternoon by the magistrates at Sciacca.

Lieutenant Dupleses was known to be wearing a badge on his wrist, and papers found in his pocket are said to confirm the evidence. All the rest is supposition.

The Commander, if he had the chance, would certainly have been the last to leave the airship, and there is no longer any illusion as to her fate. A few invincible optimists still think it possible that some of the crew may be found, the view being apparently based on the possibility that they were able to descend by parachute before the airship was driven out to sea.

M. Guy de Montjou, of the *Débats*, points out in this connection that General Lapperrine was found thirty-one days after his landing in the desert, and that his two companions were then also alive, but the suggestion is put forward without conviction, and it is generally feared, if not accepted, that the great vessel and her company of over fifty have perished.

What happened? It is taken for granted now that this morning's story from In-Salah was a figment of the natives' imagination, which, indeed, was rejected at once by some of the most competent judges. Nothing had been heard of the Dixmude herself since the early hours of the 21st. The mere breakdown of her wireless was not enough to account for this, since she had on board every means to make it good rapidly. Moreover, she was known to have on board homing pigeons, and none has returned to the base or been heard of elsewhere.

The probability appears to be that they were never released, and this could hardly be explained otherwise than by the supposition of a sudden plunge to disaster, in which minds were centred solely on the thought of impending death.

It will be remembered that in his message on the evening of the 20th, when he was approaching Algiers from the south, Lieutenant Dupleses asked by wireless for weather reports.

Two hours later he was warned by the Admiral at Algiers that a gale was raging on the coast, and ordered to turn back to Colomb Bechar, where preparations were being made for his landing.

It would appear that, for some reason unknown, he was unable to do this, and, possibly short of petrol, and fearing to have to come down in the desert, he thought his best chance lay in trying, despite the dangerous weather, to make his home base at Cuers, near Toulon.

If the spot where the body was taken out of the sea is any indication, she must almost have crossed the Mediterranean when disaster overtook him. The most generally entertained theory is that the airship was struck by lightning; but unless at least one survivor is picked up, this may never be known.

The captain of the mail steamer, Port Alessandretta, which has arrived at Naples from Bengazi, is alleged to have stated that he received wireless appeals for help from the Dixmude on the 23rd, when she was being driven before a violent storm. This would contradict the belief that she met her end during the night between Friday and Saturday, but such reports are being received now with caution.

It is hoped that the papers reported to have been found on the body of her commander will provide at least a partial solution to the mystery, and even that the Dixmude's log book may eventually be recovered.

In the meantime, Captain Fonck, the flying "Ace," and other deputies, propose to question the Government in the Chamber in regard to the circumstances under which the airship was allowed to undertake so perilous a voyage at the worst season of the year, and without accessible landing places for her base.

One of the suggestions is that her voyage at the end of September, when she broke the records of distance and time in the air, and which imposed a great strain on her crew, also affected her machinery, and that this may have broken down under exceptional conditions of the weather.

A telegram from Toulon last evening reported that the wife of one of the Dixmude's crew, who lives at Cuers, had received from her mother-in-law, at Marseilles, a message stating that news from Tripoli stated that the son was safe, but this story was afterwards officially denied.

PARIS, Friday.

The Senate this evening unanimously adopted a resolution paying tribute to the heroism of the crew of the Dixmude.—(Reuter.)

ALGIERS, Friday.

No confirmation has been received here of the report made by the Touareq look-out man at In-Salah, that he had seen the Dixmude passing overhead on Wednesday in the direction of Ahaggar. The search for the missing airship is being carried out indefatigably.—(Reuter.)

TUT-ANKH-AMEN'S TOMB.

THE GREAT SHRINE.

VALLEY OF THE KINGS, December 28.

The removal of the third and last roof section of the great shrine took up the whole morning.

Unlike the second, or middle, section, which yesterday unexpectedly proved relatively easy to handle, the third gave a lot of trouble. Being over the rear end of the shrine, it had to be handled in the recess at the back of the sepulchral hall. Consequently the work was considerably impeded owing to lack of room. It took over four hours to raise this section and propel it on rollers along the top of the shrine to the centre for lowering to the ante-chamber. Additional men had to be used for the lifting off operation, one hanging on each side to the scaffolding supports round the shrine, four drawing the section down along the slides, and one guiding.

The task required considerable care, but it was safely accomplished, and all three sections now rest against the west wall of the ante-chamber, where they will have to remain until, as previously reported, a propitious moment for enlarging the tomb entrance presents itself.—(*Times* World Copyright.)

FIRE AT LADIES' COLLEGE.

A destructive fire occurred at St. Elphin's Ladies' Training College at Werrington yesterday morning. The centre portion of the building was gutted and damage caused to the extent of £20,000. Exciting scenes were witnessed in effecting the rescue of a dozen servants, who escaped in their night attire. The students were on holiday.

SOLDIERS UNLOAD U.S. MAIL.

LIGHTNING STRIKE AT QUEENSTOWN.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
QUEENSTOWN, Friday.

Sixteen mail porters who were employed by the United States Lines at Queenstown to discharge over 1,000 sacks of mail which were brought to Queenstown from New York by the steamer President Polk for the Irish Free State struck work this evening.

When the tender which conveyed the mails from the liner arrived at the railway siding a batch of sixteen men was employed to do the work, but they refused to handle the mails unless at least twenty of their members were employed.

The local agent refused this demand, and the result was that the porters left the ship in a body.

The local military authorities at Haulbowline were then communicated with, and, after consultation, sufficient soldiers were sent to the tender to discharge the mails, which, owing to the delay, lost the night mail train to Dublin.

During the handling of the mail armed guards of the Irish Free State Army were placed in the vicinity of the ship, but no untoward incident occurred while the mails were being conveyed from the tender to the railway premises.

IRISHMEN IN AMERICA.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S DISCOVERY.

The Press Association is indebted to the courtesy of the Editor of the *Daily Chronicle* for the following extracts from an article by Mr. Lloyd George, which is appearing in that journal to-day:—

"One discovery I made during my tour, which was most gratifying to me. The attitude of Irishmen towards Great Britain has been completely changed by the setting up of a Free State in Ireland. I was received by notable Irish leaders in every State and city I visited with a cordiality which warmed my heart. At two or three cities I received an address from Irishmen thanking me for the part I had taken in the grant of freedom to their race in that island they love so dearly.

"Three years ago no Irishman could have joined in a welcome to a British Minister or ex-Minister. Such is the change effected in a short space of time by this concession. It has removed from the path of the statesmen who desire co-operation between the British Empire and the United States of America the one insuperable obstacle. As long as that remained no party in American politics could safely commit its fortunes in open and avowed friendship with Great Britain."

WORLD AFFAIRS.

The writer then gives a picturesque description of his brief stay in the Southern States, with their more leisurely methods as compared with the brisk, hustling North, and of his visits to the scene of the great culminating struggles in the Civil War, where he spoke to many survivors, and proceeds:—

"I came back more convinced than ever that the hope of mankind in the immediate future depends on the extent to which the two greatest Commonwealths on earth can be persuaded to work together in world affairs. Identity of language must lead to an absorption of the same literature for the great mass of the people. The same literature in the end means the same ideals. In the course of years Shakespeare, Milton, Bunyan, and Wesley will count more than Lafayette and Rochambeau. The influence of the former enters more and more into character, and that is what determines the destiny of a people. All the greatest men of America are of British stock, and their ideals and lives were fashioned by the teachings of the same prophets and priests, whose thoughts were conveyed to America through the medium of the same tongue as influenced the minds of the great leaders of Britain.

"To-day British literature flows naturally into American channels, and American literature in an ever-increasing flood is pouring into British channels. The association between the powerful Protestant Churches on both sides of the Atlantic is becoming every year closer and more intimate. The fact that over two-thirds of the population of the States receive the same spiritual training as the people of Britain not only weaves bonds of brotherhood between them, but must have its effect in giving the same direction to the outlook and vision of the two nations.

WRONGS BURIED.

"The memories of outrages perpetrated by a King on the road to insanity has too long kept these two mighty nations apart. The oppression of Ireland kept these memories alive by giving a sense of continuity to the policy of wrong. These wrongs are all now dead and buried. There is no sense in artificially keeping alive the evil passions they germinated. They have ceased now to have any political significance or value, and, therefore, there is every prospect that they will be allowed to subside.

"The peace of the world is at stake. It is a question of the path along which the human race elects to travel. One leads to peace, prosperity, and unlimited progress. The other leads to bloodshed, desolation, and infinite misery. America and Britain together can shepherd the world along the right course."

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DISTRICT COUNCILS.

PROSPECT OF DISSOLUTION.

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

The fate of the District Councils is the subject of much discussion in the rural areas. When Mr. Ernest Blythe was Minister for Local Government he announced that these bodies might be abolished. The Government may not take this drastic step, but it seems certain that in the interests of efficiency and economy in administration sweeping reforms will be introduced.

An indication of the policy of the Government is to be found in the suspension of some of the District Councils, and the appointment of Commissioners to carry on the work. It remains to be seen how these Commissioners will manage the duties that have been entrusted to them, and they must be given at least six months, or, perhaps, twelve months, to prove their capacity to deal with the funds which the ratepayers supply. Taxation has been mounting up of late years to such a degree that the ratepayers feel it a very heavy burden, and it is to relieve this burden in some measure, without impairing the efficiency of the public services, that the Government are about to introduce a measure.

The members of the threatened Councils, naturally, do not like the idea of being deprived of the *status*, such as it is, which that membership confers upon them. Pride in their representative position must, however, be sacrificed to the general welfare.

The time has passed, in the opinion of the Government, when passing resolutions on political questions should be allowed to form any part of the business of these local councils. The view of the Government is that attention should be paid exclusively to the proper business of the district, and to ensuring that the ratepayers get an adequate return for their money.

The local elections have been in abeyance for over twelve months. A year ago an Act was passed postponing these elections to a date not later than January 1st, 1924. It was found that owing to the non-completion of the registers of voters the elections could not be held within the period specified by that Act, and accordingly an amending Act was passed last month extending the period to such date not being later than the 30th of September as the Minister shall by order prescribe. The elections, therefore, may be ordered for some day early in the coming summer.

It is understood that the membership of some of the larger County Councils, and of the Dublin Corporation, may be reduced in number by the bill which is now being prepared by the Government draughtsmen.

WATCHFUL LAMA.

KNOWS ALL ABOUT BRITISH POLITICS.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Friday.

Dr. W. M. McGovern, the young explorer who succeeded in reaching Lhasa and interviewed the Dalai Lama, gave the first public account of his expedition at the New Oxford Theatre to-day. His story was illustrated by film pictures, taken by him under extraordinary circumstances.

Dr. McGovern, in an interview, said that one of the first people he encountered on crossing the Tibetan border was a Scotsman named MacDonald, who acted as an agent at Yatung.

Dr. McGovern has many interesting stories to tell of the manservant, "Satan," who accompanied him to Lhasa. "On the second half of the journey," he said, "the perils were so great that we had to change places. By arrangement, "Satan" became the master, and I became the man.

"I had told him to act the part as well as he could, and he took full advantage of this, frequently knocking me about, and once or twice threatening to give me away if I did not give him what he demanded. I had to submit to it, of course, as discovery might have meant death, but I had the satisfaction when I got to Lhasa of seeing my friend "Satan"—that was not his real name, but the one I gave him—getting a good drubbing from the Tibetan authorities."

He was wonderful," said Dr. McGovern, "to learn how much the Dalai Lama knows of the world outside the Holy City, in which he is immured. He knows, for instance, the difference between the Conservative Party in England and the Liberals, and the probable effects which Government changes in England may have upon his own country.

"The Tibetans present fear is not so much of the Englishman, as a man, as of his Imperialistic tendencies. Where one Englishman is admitted, they believe, you will soon find England."

PARIS FLOOD FEARS.

PARIS, Friday.

Owing to the continuous rainfall the rise of the Seine is causing alarm. The rise in Paris has been almost two feet since yesterday. Most quays are under water.—Exchange.

If it were economically possible, everyone ought to spend at least ten years of his life just thinking.—Mr. Oliver Baldwin.

EIFFEL TOWER BUILDER DEAD.

AGED NINETY-ONE.

PANAMA SCANDAL RECALLED.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
PARIS, Friday.

M. Eiffel, the constructor of the Eiffel Tower, died here last night at his home, in his 92nd year. M. Eiffel, in addition to building the structure which bears his name in 1889, at a cost of £6,000,000, first gained renown as a bridge builder.

His death recalls the Panama scandal of 1893, when, as engineer to the company floated to construct the canal, he was condemned to prison when it failed. He was later exonerated by the Court of Appeal.

Alexandre Gustave Eiffel, who was born at Dijon, designed the great sluices for the Panama Canal when it was under the French company. He built the bridge over the Garonne at Bordeaux at the age of 26, and founded the Levallios Perret Ironworks at the age of 33. Other works of his include the Douro Bridge at Oporto, the Garabit Viaduct at Cantal, the Nice Observatory, movable dome, and the Statue of Liberty frame off New York.

There was great opposition when he built the famous Eiffel Tower, which commands the whole of Paris. Artistic people raved against it, but it remained, and during the war was of great service to the Allies for wireless purposes. To-day it figures as one of the world's great stations.

The Kaiser's great ambition, it was said, was to unfurl the German flag on the top of the famous steel framework. It was erected for the Paris Exposition of 1889, and took 27 months to build. It is 984 feet high, the tallest structure in the world, 580 feet higher than St. Paul's, and five times as high as the monument at London Bridge.

The base covers nearly 2½ acres. In its construction 7,300 tons of metal were used, and it has often been utilised for divers scientific purposes.

MILLIONAIRE LEAVING AMERICA

TO LIVE IN ENGLAND AND FRANCE.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
NEW YORK, Friday.

Mr. William E. Corey, one of the foremost of the American steel magnates, is to leave America to live permanently in England and the South of France. The reasons underlying this decision are not known.

A few days ago it was announced that Mr. Corey had withdrawn his directorship of the Cuba Cane Corporation, and, when inquiry was made into this departure it was disclosed that the millionaire had quietly resigned all his American business connections during the last few months, and was planning to sell his magnificent Fifth Avenue home.

With Mr. Andrew Carnegie and Mr. Charles Frick dead, and Mr. Corey an expatriate, Mr. Charles M. Schwab is left alone among the famous American steel magnates still carrying on.

Mr. Corey's impending departure from America is compared to that of William Waldorf Astor—the first Lord Astor—but William Waldorf Astor left America because of disappointed political ambitions, and resented newspaper publicity.

Mr. William Corey has had a lot of publicity in America, with his two divorce cases, but he has not expressed any feeling in this connection.

JAPANESE OUTRAGE.

MINISTER ACCEPTS FULL RESPONSIBILITY.

TOKIO, Friday.

Baron Goto, Minister for Home Affairs in the Cabinet, which has resigned, has assumed responsibility for the attack upon the Prince Regent yesterday morning.

Baron Goto has been accused of Socialistic tendencies since he invited Joffe, the Soviet Envoy, to come to Japan. The residence of the Minister and Socialist centres in the city are closely guarded for fear of anti-Socialist outbreaks.

The Prince Regent's assailant has been identified as Darsuki Namba, a twenty-five-year-old student of Waseda University, whose circumstances compelled him to work as a labourer.

He is interested in Communism, but declared that he had no associates. Namba was seriously injured by the crowd, which seized him before the police effected his arrest.—(Reuter.)

GASWORKERS' WAGES

TO BE CUT ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.

As a result of the conference between representatives of the Alliance and Dublin Consumers' Gas Company and the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, under the auspices of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, the employés of the Gas Company have agreed to a reduction of 3s. per week in wages as from January 1st and to a further reduction of 3s. weekly in February. The minimum wage at present is 64s. per week. About 1,000 men are affected by the reduction. It does not apply to the clerical staff.

This agreement averts a stoppage of work.

PIRATES AMONG THE PASSENGERS.

BRITISH SHIP SEIZED AND LOOTED.

HONG KONG, Friday.

The British steamer Hydrangea was attacked by pirates last night while on her way from here to Swatow.

The Hydrangea left yesterday with five hundred Chinese passengers and three hundred tons of cargo. About 7 o'clock in the evening, at a given signal, the pirates, who were armed and distributed throughout the vessel as saloon as well as deck passengers, surprised the Indian guard, whom they disarmed. They then rushed the saloon, where the captain and officers were dining.

The pirates soon obtained control of the steamer, which their pilot navigated to Bias Bay, where the Hydrangea was run aground. The pirates then succeeded in making good their escape to the shore, after looting the steamer, which they abandoned at 4 o'clock in the morning.

No casualties are reported, and the pirates did not harm the British officers of the vessel, to whom they offered oranges and cigarettes, and even blankets.—(Reuter.)

AVALANCHES CONTINUE.

BUT DO NOT AFFECT WINTER SPORTS.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
GENEVA, Friday.

The papers here are full of reports of avalanches in out-of-the-way places, and it is stated that snow in certain districts is nearly a yard deep. The damage is mostly of a material nature, affecting, chiefly, chalets, which are uninhabited in winter.

The railway traffic has been interfered with here and there, but the lines used by tourists are working normally.

Telephonic inquiries at different centres elicit the information that fresh contingents of visitors arrive daily. Unhappily for winter sports, snow has to-day turned to rain in most centres, and the prospects are momentarily unpromising.

Skating before this was stopped by heavy snowfalls, and there has been much work in clearing fresh snow from the toboggan runs, so that ski-ing has been the principal pastime.

The danger of avalanches in districts frequented by winter sport enthusiasts is not great, as very few visitors are sufficiently practised to reach the higher regions, where avalanches are likely to occur, and where the possibility of avalanches exists within ordinary reach warning is always given.

Should the wind change and frost set in, all sports will soon be in full swing again.

Hotels in practically all the centres are exceptionally well filled, considering the early season, and evening gaieties compensate for the interruption in other forms of enjoyment.

During the last few days hundreds of British tourists have been held up through heavy snow in the Oberland, where communications were interrupted.

AFGHAN FIGHTING.

HUNT FOR ASSASSINS OF BRITISH OFFICERS.

FROM OUR DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Friday.

Official quarters in London have received news from Kabul that the Afghan forces who are scouring the Shinwari country for the murderers of British officers have encountered a tribe of outlaws in the region of Nakhtarmana, near the Khyber Pass.

Fighting has taken place, and there have been slight casualties on both sides. The gang made off.

It is not made clear whether they were members of the tribe suspected of complicity in the recent crimes.

The British authorities take the attitude that, if the news is true, it shows that the Afghans are making a genuine effort to hunt out the culprits. There is reason to believe that it is true, for if it were a piece of window-dressing on the part of the Kabul authorities it is certain the description of the encounter would be far more glowing and the casualty list proportionately bigger.

ARSON AND BIGAMY.

END OF A REMARKABLE CASE.

SUPERIOR, WISCONSIN, Friday.

A remarkable arson trial ended here to-day in the sentencing of a man and a woman to four years' imprisonment. The couple—Mr. Sailstad, a married man, and Miss Anderson—pleaded guilty.

The case had attracted much attention owing to the unusual nature of the evidence. Some three years ago Sailstad's summer home was destroyed by fire, and a charred skeleton found among the ruins was identified by Mrs. Sailstad as that of her husband.

The wife began proceedings to recover a large amount of insurance, and subsequently married again. Sailstad then confessed to having robbed a grave of a skeleton and placed it in his home, which he then set on fire. He then went through a form of marriage with the woman.—(Reuter.)

STRESEMANN'S MISSION.

HOLIDAY DISCUSSIONS ON THE RUHR PROBLEM.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
BERLIN, Friday.

It is probable that Herr Stresemann, the German Minister for Foreign Affairs, who is staying at Lugano, will discuss while there important points concerning the Ruhr with leading Frenchmen, who are also holiday-making in that pretty resort.

The chief Berlin organ of Herr Stinnes dismisses contemptuously the often discussed project of French participation in German industries, which the German Industrialist, Herr Arnold Rechberg, has just submitted to M. Poincaré.

It seems that among the subjects being discussed are the question of the complete re-instatement of German railwaymen, the customs duties imposed by the French on goods exported from occupied into unoccupied territory, and the proposed founding of a Rhenish bank and the Separatist movement in the Rhineland.

The French Government, it appears, particularly in regard to the dismissed railwaymen of the Ruhr, is disposed to make concessions.

Its intention apparently is the re-instatement of all railwaymen necessary for the efficient working of the service. As the German Government, on grounds of economy, is now dismissing 25 per cent. of railway and other Government servants in unoccupied Germany, the French authorities contend that the Ruhr railways must also be worked by a smaller staff.

The question of the duties imposed by the French authorities on the frontier between occupied and unoccupied Germany is a thorny point in the discussions.

The German point of view is that such duties are illegal, and must go, if German industry is to get on its feet again.

On the other hand, the French authorities are disinclined to surrender any source of income with which the Ruhr provides them.

NORWAY TO GO "WET."

BILL TO REPEAL LIQUOR PROHIBITION LAW.

CHRISTIANIA, Friday.

Although no definite announcement has yet been made, it is understood in political circles that a bill to repeal the Liquor Prohibition Law will be submitted to the Storthing during the next session, probably before the expiration of March.

The bill, it is believed, is likely to be carried by a majority consisting of the Conservatives part of the Agricultural Party and some Communists.—*Times* telegram.

DUBLIN POLICE PAY.

REDUCTION MAY BE POSTPONED.

PENSIONS PROBLEM.

HOW THE MEN WILL BE AFFECTED.

We are authoritatively informed that, as a result of certain representations made to the Irish Free State Ministry of Finance on behalf of the men, it is highly probable that the proposed reduction in the pay of Dublin Metropolitan policemen will not now be enforced on the 1st of January, as was originally intended.

It was rumoured in police circles yesterday that the operation of the "cut" had been suspended for another month, but an *Irish Times* representative learned definitely last night that no notice of such an intention had been received by the men.

It will be remembered that shortly before Christmas a pay order issued by the Ministry of Finance proposed certain reductions in consequence of the fall in the cost of living. A definite percentage was not specified, but the proposals made by the Ministry for application as from 1st January introduced, roughly, the following reductions:—Superintendents, £100; inspectors, £63; station sergeants, £62; sergeants, £39, and constables, £26 to £31, according to service.

TIME TOO SHORT.

That order was submitted to the representative body of the Dublin Metropolitan Police for their consideration. The Chief Commissioner, it is understood, was of opinion that the time given for the discussion of the proposals was too short, and has made representations to the Government to that effect.

No definite reply to these representations has been forthcoming, but it is learned from a trustworthy source that it is now "very highly improbable" that the reductions will be enforced as from New Year's Day. There is, of course, no question of the proposals being withdrawn; but it is understood that the operation of them will be suspended for a little longer, to permit of their further consideration by the men, with a view to negotiation for a mutually satisfactory basis.

When the proposed cut was first intimated to the men, the opinion was held by the rank and file that the enforcement of such reductions would amount to a contravention of the terms of the Treaty, which, they held, safeguarded their pay and pensions from such interference.

PENSIONS.

With regard to the matter of pensions, about which a great deal of misconception seems to exist, it is to be noted that 198 men have already been pensioned at the higher rates for which provision is made in Article X. of the Treaty. Similarly, all the other men who are retiring under that Article will be pensioned at the higher rate, and the rumours to the contrary which have been circulating among the men are altogether unfounded.

In regard to the men who are not resigning, but who desire to finish their full time under the Free State Government, those who at present have thirty years' service will be pensioned when their term comes at the higher rates, although, naturally, they will be included in any reductions which may be enforced in consequence of the Government's proposals. The others will be pensioned on a new scale, based on whatever reductions in pay may take place.

THE PRINCE HUNTING.

A DAY WITH WHADDON CHASE.

A Buckingham telegram states that the Prince of Wales attended the meet of the Whaddon Chase Hounds in the village of Great Horwood yesterday. The large company included Lord Dalmeny, the Master, Lord Orkney, Lady Chesham, and Captain de Trafford, and several members of the Fitzwilliam Hunt.

The hounds found the fox in earth at Pelch. He was fetched out by a terrier, and went away, finally going into a drain, after giving the hounds a grand run over excellent country, lasting an hour and fifteen minutes. The hounds were taken to Winslow spinneys, where another fox was found, and ran over the road as though for Grandboro', where the scent absolutely failed.

The Prince of Wales went back to Sandringham.

During the run of the hounds the huntsman, Will Boddington, was thrown at a fence, and sustained injury to his neck. The Prince of Wales, who was riding close by, pulled up immediately to render assistance, but Boddington got into the saddle again and continued the hunt. Later he had to be taken home in a motor car. He will be unable to hunt for a few days.

IRISH PRISONERS IN ENGLAND.

70 M.P.'s SIGN PETITION FOR RELEASE.

There have been additional names to the petition presented to the Home Secretary by the Rev. H. Dunnico, M.P., asking for the release of the Irish prisoners in England. The number of members of Parliament who so far have supported the petition is seventy.

Among the latest signatories are Miss Margaret Bondfield, Miss Susan Lawrence, Messrs. S. Walsh, J. R. Clynes, P. Snowden, Harry Gosling, D. Kirkwood, R. Smillie, G. Lansbury and Ben Tillett.

LONDON HEARS AMERICA

WIRELESS ACHIEVEMENT.

"Listeners-in" in the British Isles had the unique experience of listening to a programme broadcasted from America late last night. Two attempts had previously been made by the experts of the British Broadcasting Company to "pick-up" an American broadcasting station, and last night, on the third attempt, their efforts were rewarded, when K.D.K.A. (East Pittsburg Broadcasting Station) was heard distinctly, notwithstanding a great deal of atmospheric interference.

The receiving station was erected at North Down, Kent, and from there musical items and a lecture were relayed to 2 L.O. (London) which, in turn, passed them on to all the broadcasting stations in the British Isles.

The reception was wonderfully clear, and the lecturer's voice could be distinctly heard, especially when he wished the listeners-in a happy New Year.

Possessors of crystal receiving sets resident within a thirty-mile radius of any of the eight stations of the British Broadcasting Company hear America as well as "listeners-in" with valve sets. Even better results are expected to-night.

MR. HUGHES TO LECTURE.

AUSTRALIAN PARTY POLITICS DO NOT INTEREST AMERICA.

MELBOURNE, Friday.

Mr. Hughes, the former Prime Minister of Australia, is leaving early in February for the United States, via Vancouver, to fulfil an engagement with an American syndicate for the delivery of a series of lectures on Australia.

When asked whether he would touch upon party politics in his lectures Mr. Hughes replied: "How the blazes do you think Australian party politics will interest people in America?"—*Times* telegram.

KHAN OF KHIVA.

DEATH IN RUSSIAN PRISON REPORTED.

RIGA, Friday.

It is reported here that the Khan of Khiva has died in a Bolshevist internment camp.—(Reuter.)

The Khan was deposed in 1920, after an insurrection, and removed to Russia "to be kept until the situation in Khiva permitted him to return home without endangering the safety of the Republic."

COMMERCIAL AIR SERVICES.

BRITISH MACHINES AND PILOTS.

BY OUR AVIATION CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Friday.

Details of the agreement between the Air Ministry and the British, Foreign, and Colonial Corporation, Ltd., regarding the formation of the Imperial Air Transport Co., Ltd., are now made public.

The chief points in the agreement are that the British, Foreign, and Colonial Corporation will form and register a company, with an initial share capital of £1,000,000 in £1 shares, and will guarantee the subscription of 500,000 of these shares.

They will then acquire the business carried on by Handley Page Transport, the Instone Air Line, Daimler Hire, and the British Marine Air Navigation Co.; or, in default of such acquisition, establish an air transport service to operate equivalent services and run air lines from London to Paris, Brussels, and Amsterdam, and from Southampton to the Channel Isles and such other places as may be approved by the Air Council.

The Air Council, for their part, will pay a subsidy of £1,000,000, spread over ten years, provided that the average distance flown per year during the first four years is 1,000,000 miles a year, with not less than 800,000 in any one year, and after the first four years a minimum of 1,000,000 miles annually.

It is interesting to note that for the twelve months, April, 1923, to March, 1923, British commercial aircraft flew 778,000 miles only, or less than the minimum required under the scheme, but for this year the distance has been largely increased.

The subsidy will be payable monthly in arrears at the rate of £137,000 a year for the first four years, and then in decreasing sums until the last payment of £32,000.

Provision is made for the repayment of the subsidy. The first 10 per cent. of the profits go to the shareholders, and of the balance if any, one-third goes towards repayment of the subsidy, one-third for improvements, and one-third for the shareholders.

All technical *personnel*, machines, and engineers must be British, and all pilots must be in the Air Force Reserve or Auxiliary Air Force. At least 75 per cent. of the other employés must serve similarly in the Dominions or at home.

All equipment and *personnel* is to be available for the Government in time of war.

BRITISH AIR FORCE.

RUMOURED RETIREMENT OF CHIEF MARSHAL.

Changes in the high commands of the Royal Air Force will take place in April, when Air-Marshal J. F. A. Higgins, now Air Officer Commanding Inland Area (R.A.F.) will replace Air-Marshal Sir John M. Salmond in command of His Majesty's Forces in Iraq.

This news was quite unexpected (writes Mr. W. T. Blake, our Aviation Correspondent), for Sir John Salmond's command in Iraq has been highly successful, and the experiment of garrisoning the country with the R.A.F. and a very small Army has proved highly efficient, as well as economical.

No announcement can yet be made regarding the future of Sir John Salmond, but the formation of the large home defence force will shortly necessitate a big appointment being made. There are also rumours regarding the possible retirement of Air Chief Marshal Sir H. M. Trenchard, Chief of the Air Staff.

If this takes place Sir John Salmond is his most likely successor. Air Vice-Marshal Higgins will proceed to Iraq in February, and will take over command in April.

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.

SIXTY-TWO FRESH CASES.

The Ministry of Agriculture in London stated yesterday that since Friday 62 fresh cases of foot-and-mouth disease have been confirmed. All the new cases are confined to areas from which previous outbreaks have been reported.

The fresh cases are—39 in Cheshire, one in Derbyshire, three in Lancashire, one in Leicestershire, two in Notts, three in Shropshire, four in Staffordshire, one in Warwickshire, six in Yorkshire, one in Fife, and one in Stirling.

IRISH CATTLE TRADE SUFFERING.

The annual meetings of the Irish Cattle Trade Association and the South of Ireland Cattle Trade Association were held in Cork yesterday, Mr. William Murphy presiding at the former and Mr. P. T. Buckley at the latter.

Reports were submitted at both meetings that, owing to the outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in England and the conditions prevailing at home, trade had been seriously handicapped; but an optimistic view was held as to the future of the most important of Irish industries. It was satisfactory that the disease had not spread to this country, and the action of the Government in taking steps to prevent it was approved.

TARIFF COMMITTEE.

MR. BALDWIN'S CHALLENGE.

Contrary to general expectation, I understand (says the Central News Political Correspondent) that the Tariff Committee which Mr. Baldwin set up on the eve of the General Election will make a report.

The Committee is under the chairmanship of Viscount Milner. Its report will probably be in very general terms, since the result of the election has destroyed the efficacy of its existence.

The lines of the King's Speech at the opening of Parliament have not yet been decided, but it is currently anticipated that the Government will put Protection into the Speech, and thus afford the House of Commons the opportunity to defeat the policy which they referred to the country.

FRANCE AND RUSSIA.

TREATY WITH CZECHO-SLOVAKIA AS A BRIDGE.

FROM OUR DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Friday.

The Treaty between France and Czecho-Slovakia is

TERRORISTS IN LISBON.

EX-CIVIL GOVERNOR'S REVELATIONS.

DICTATOR WANTED.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
LISBON, December.

Portuguese politics at this moment are slightly involved. The three principal factors are the politicians who want a dictatorship, the politicians who do not, and the great mass of the nation, which does not seem to care which way the matter is settled.

The most important statement made by Dr. Alvaro de Castro, in his Parliamentary speech just before Christmas, was his promise to respect and maintain the *prestige* of the Constitution. Up to a few days ago he was leader of the "Nationalist" party, from which the last Cabinet was formed. This Cabinet only lasted twenty-eight days, and rather surprisingly fell just after successfully suppressing a revolution.

A stormy Parliamentary debate was followed by a confidence motion in the Government that was rejected by 11 votes. The Opposition accused the Government of exaggerating the gravity of the rising, and of allowing it to break out expressly as an excuse for getting a dissolution of Parliament and martial law.

The new President, Senhor Teixeira Gomes, unlike his predecessors, seems disposed to see to things himself, and not only to allow himself to be led by what is told him. He disapproved of the suggested dissolution, as being against the Constitution, and, after the fall of the Government, called Dr. Alvaro de Castro, who had quarrelled with his party for the same reason.

Then the trouble began. The Nationalists divided into two groups. De Castro and his followers are for maintaining the Constitutional law; the others, headed by Senhor Cunha Leal, are openly working to bring about a Dictatorship, supported by the Army. Towards this end the ex-Minister of Finance delivered a sensational and crowded address at the Geographical Society's premises last week.

After inveighing against the "corruption and individualism" of Portuguese politicians, he affirmed that a Dictatorship here is inevitable. "By no other means than a Dictatorship could the thousands of State parasites be eliminated and the Budget balanced."

The address ended by an impassioned appeal to the Army, which was largely represented, to help him and his friends "to save Portugal."

Another staunch upholder of the Dictatorship is the Civil Governor of Lisbon, who has just resigned. He has made some alarming statements to a representative of the *Diario de Lisboa*.

Politicians here, he says, are playing with fire, and during his short stay in office he has had constant and abundant proof of terrorist organisations existing in Lisbon, which constitute a formidable peril. Nothing but a Dictatorship, supported by the Army, can overcome it. If a strong definite situation, destitute of party politics, is not forthcoming, "Lisbon will awake some morning under a sea of dynamite."

The newspaper says that further revelations were made to its representative of such an alarming nature that it would be ill-judged to put them into print.

LAND OF OPPORTUNITY.

CANADA'S CALL FOR SETTLERS.

OTTAWA (By Mail).

The Department of Colonisation and Immigration of the Canadian National Railways has issued an important statement outlining its plans for an aggressive and definite campaign to bring new settlers to Canada next year. The Canadian National System, like the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, is co-operating in every way with the Federal and Provincial Departments of Immigration in the general national effort to bring to this land of opportunity the surplus population of the United Kingdom and Europe by the thousands and tens of thousands next spring.

The policy of the Canadian National System, as announced by Mr. W. D. Robb, Vice-President in charge of this department, following a conference at Montreal of officers of the department from all parts of the system, is a most comprehensive one. It provides for an extensive advertising and selection campaign overseas, emphasis being placed upon the careful selection of prospective settlers from the point of view of their adaptability to Canadian opportunities, and also for a continuous supervision of the flow of immigration from the start of the immigrant to his arrival in Canada and his settlement in a wage-earning occupation.

YOUTHFUL SETTLERS WELCOME.

Especial attention is also to be given to the bringing out of the youth of Great Britain for settlement in Canadian rural homes, where the business of scientific farming may be learned, and ultimately a farm and home of their own may be secured. Arrangements are contemplated for the proper reception in Canada of all incoming new settlers, and for supplying them with all possible advice and guidance in settling either upon the land or in some other calling suitable to their individual training and conditions. Careful investigations will be conducted to determine conditions under which immigrants adapted for country life may be induced to come in groups and settle in small colonies adjacent to railway communication.

THE SIZE OF THE COLONIES.

Having in mind the well-known and established objections to the settlement of people of the same race in large colonies, it has been decided to limit the size of each group to units of twenty families, with, approximately, 160 acres to each family. This will provide a community service large enough to avoid the danger of imperfect assimilation into general national life. When it becomes evident that the unit group is adaptable to Canadian standards of living, Canadian education and Canadian nationality generally, other groups will be settled adjacent to the original group. It is proposed that land to be occupied under this system shall be checked as to value by the Federal Soldiers' Settlement Field Service Board, and that expert officers of the Board shall guide settlers in the purchase of stock and equipment and in their initial farming operations, so that their resources may be conserved and their energies so directed as to be most effective.

FITNESS OF IMMIGRANTS.

In securing settlers in Great Britain and other countries, this system of selection will be employed and only those physically fit and willing to work will be regarded as eligible. It has been arranged also to open a boys' and girls' branch in connection with the overseas office in London. Investigations which have been carried on show that in Canada there are thousands of fine rural homes anxious to have a reliable and respectable boy of fifteen to eighteen years of age. In Great Britain especially there are more than two hundred thousand boys of these ages leaving secondary schools every year who have no work to go to and no future ahead. It will be the aim of the Colonisation and Development Department of the Canadian National Railways to place as many as possible of the best of these in Canada under a system of inspection now being carried on by the Juvenile Branch of the Federal Department of Immigration.

Attention will be given to the selection and immigration of the largest possible number of housework of good type and women for other occupations as they develop.

Other plans, at present in the course of preparation, calculated to put fully into effect the principles of the policy as outlined, will be announced from time to time as they reach maturity.—(Reuter.)

ROSSE COLLEGE, STEPHEN'S GREEN.

Since Oct. 1 Pupils of this College have gained 45 Bank Clerkships (including the 1st Seven Places at Bank of Ireland Examination) and 7 Railway and Corporation Appointments. The College re-opens on Monday, Dec. 31.—(Advt.)

Any Dominion is free to go its own way, and yet all of them, together with the homeland, constitute a league of nations linked together in bonds of affection and good will—Right Hon. G. N. Barnes.

(PATENTS) MR. WM. SWART DOYLE, Registered Patent Agent and Registered Patent Attorney, 18 College Green, Dublin. Advice Free.—(Advt.)

EMPIRE SQUADRON.

SUCCESSFUL VISIT TO THE CAPE.

CAPE TOWN, Friday.

Apart altogether from its entire success from every point of view, one of the most striking results of the visit of Vice-Admiral Sir Frederick Field's special service squadron has been the bringing into the limelight of the problem of South Africa's coastal defence. The Cape peninsula, in particular, and even the whole of South Africa, have been living in quite a naval atmosphere as a result of the daily intercourse which has existed between Cape Town's citizens and the vessels of the squadron.

Many points of interest are being discussed, ranging from the development of the undoubted sea-sense of British and Dutch South Africans alike, in the direction of the ideal of a Navy with trained *personnel*, harbour vessels, etc., and other kindred topics, to that of the Union possessing and manning a cruiser. The latter suggestion is, however, likely to be considered as too ambitious today.

There is not the slightest doubt that from both the Imperial and South African, quite apart from the social aspects, the visit of the squadron has been an extremely successful one. Since its arrival on December 22nd, the *personnel* of the warships have proved to be most popular visitors, and the elaborate programme of functions of every kind which had been arranged for their entertainment—such as banquets, balls, concerts, sports and drives—has been attended with such enthusiasm as to make it a huge success. A notable function was the official ball held on board the Hood itself, while the "at homes" on board the other vessels have been equally successful. A feature of the visit has been the interest displayed by Dutch-speaking visitors from the neighbourhood and from up-country districts.

Considerable attention is being devoted by the newspapers to the question of South Africa's naval defence, and the *Cape Times* pays a tribute to Vice-Admiral Field's accessibility and to his efforts to appreciate the individual ideas of South Africans to recognise their difficulties, and to assist them by frank and sympathetic discussion.

THE LIGHT CRUISER

Referring to Vice-Admiral Field's suggestion that the Union should take over and maintain a light cruiser for the protection of the trade routes, the *Cape Times* says:—Closer consultation with him on the technical questions involved has since produced still further justification for the Navy's faith in the light cruiser as being certainly the most suitable type of ship for the particular work which the naval forces of the Union would be likely to have to perform, should there be another war at sea within the next ten years. The newspaper emphasises the need which would exist for the protection of South Africa's shores and shipping against enemy raiders—probably of the Moewe type—declaring that so far as can at present be foreseen the only vessel which would meet the special case of South Africa is the surface cruiser.

The *Cape Times* understands, however, that the Admiralty does not regard the light cruiser project as an immediate possibility, but considers it as a definite stage in local effort, towards which the Union should advance step by step—namely, the provision of training *personnel*, ships, &c. The newspaper concludes by reiterating its suggestion for the construction of a modern dry dock at Cape Town capable of accommodating the largest battleship afloat and the biggest liners which berth at Table Bay.—(Press Association Foreign Special.)

BLOOD TRANSFUSION.

SIR ALMROTH WRIGHT'S DISCOVERY.

Sir Almroth Wright's discovery of immunotransfusion for septicæmia (septic poisoning of the blood) is becoming increasingly popular in the London hospitals, having been found to be attended by considerable success.

The principle is based on the theory that, however healthy may be the blood which one person gives to another, it may not contain the actual germs necessary to combat those which have attacked the sufferer. A vaccine is, therefore, introduced into the healthy blood before it is injected into the veins of the patient.

At St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, Dr. Leonard Colebrook has gone a step further and inoculated the healthy person, so as to set up the needed germs before the blood required for injection is taken.

Sir Almroth Wright, discussing the experiment yesterday, said that, while it was not possible for him to offer criticism or approval of this process, he held the view that another doctor was entitled to do everything he thought best for his patient.

"I would merely suggest" he remarked, "that the vaccine introduced into the blood should not be too strong; that I had better not say too much, or I shall have my colleagues in the profession about my ears."

Sir Almroth began to use his method at the end of the war, when all kinds of experiments were carried on in the interests of wounded men, in the hope of preventing the poison which had entered their blood from having the most serious effects.

Two other discoveries are reported—one from Paris, where the citrate of soda injected into the veins is said to have proved valuable in the treatment of anæmia; and the other from Greyville, South Africa, where the leaves of the plant vinca are declared to be curing diabetes.

Inquiries in medical circles in London show that neither of these forms of treatment is known to any great extent, and authorities are inclined to be sceptical concerning them.

ADVERTISING EXPERTS' CONVENTION.

ARRANGEMENTS IN LONDON.

The leading men and women of the advertising world who are attending the International Advertising Convention next July in London will be given an opportunity of seeing English life from all angles.

Committees are being formed to entertain them at historic centres like Stratford-on-Avon, York and Edinburgh, industrial districts like Newcastle-on-Tyne, Bradford and Glasgow, and pleasure resorts such as Margate.

Near London the delegates will be invited to explore the beauties of the Thames, and in London itself there will be theatre, luncheon, dinner and garden parties.

The Women's Advertising Club of London, assisted by the women members of the Publicity Club and the American Women's Club, will look after the wives and daughters of the Overseas delegates while their husbands are in conference.

Suggestions for their entertainment already include visits to the leading London stores, matinées, and outdoor pleasure resorts.

Altogether twenty committees will work to ensure the smooth running of the International Advertising Convention; they cover everything from the programme itself, to the accommodation and transport of the delegates.

Six London clubs will open their doors to delegates, and additional club room may be taken over.

Twenty-nine associations have three representatives each on the General Committee under the chairmanship of Mr. C. Harold Vernon.

The Newspaper Proprietors' Association will be represented by Lieut.-Col. E. F. Lawson, D.S.O., M.C., Mr. B. F. Cronfield, and Mr. T. W. McAra.

X-RAY HERO.

BOTH HANDS LOST IN EXPERIMENTS.

Mr. Reginald Blackall, Leigh-on-Sea, who has been awarded an honorary certificate and an allowance of £75 a year by the Carnegie Hero Fund Trustees, was radiographer at the London Hospital from 1900 to 1920, and as the result of X-ray work contracted carcinoma, necessitating the amputation of his hands.

After going to the London Hospital as a youth he learned that Mr. Harnack, the first head of the department, lost both his hands and part of his forearm. With other workers Mr. Blackall devoted himself to devising means of preventing further injury to operators, but he, too, fell a victim.

Two years ago he lost a hand with the exception of the thumb, and in August last his second hand was amputated. Thus forced to give up his work he has remained on full pay from the London Hospital. He is married.

There should be no more X-ray cripples, as X-ray tubes are now protected by a metal shield, unknown in the days of the pioneers.

THREE SHOT IN A THEATRE.

HYPNOTISED POLICEMAN NOW IN ASYLUM.

PROFESSOR ARRESTED.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE,
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
VIENNA, Friday.

A professor of hypnotism, Maximilian Langnser, has been charged with homicide, as a result of the killing of three persons by a local policeman while under the influence of the professor's magnetism during a performance at the Theatre Sebenico.

Professor Langnser had hypnotised several spectators in the audience, when a policeman, off duty, mounted the stage and asked to be shown into the realms of another world.

After the policeman had taken the first treatment, the professor handed him a wooden baton, and said—"This baton is a revolver. Fire it into the crowd and arrest the guilty ones." The policeman seized the stick of wood and tried to fire it. When nothing happened, he drew his pistol and commenced shooting into the audience, killing three.

The professor had considerable difficulty reviving the policeman from the hypnotic coma, and when the policeman discovered what he had done, he became crazed. He is now in an insane asylum.

OBITUARY.

RIGHT HON. LAURENCE A. WALDRON.

We regret to announce the death of the Right Hon. Laurence Ambrose Waldron, P.C., which took place on Thursday night at his residence, Marino, Ballybrack, County Dublin.

The death of Mr. Waldron removes an outstanding figure in Irish financial and commercial life. He was endowed with exceptional gifts and a spirit of enterprise which manifested itself in early life; for he had not long attained his majority when he founded the firm of stockbrokers, Messrs. Laurence A. Waldron and Co., whose success eventually raised the founder to a position of high repute in the financial world. In commercial circles he soon became known as a man of more than ordinary capacity, and his aid was sought in many of the largest business enterprises of this country, while his intellectual standing was recognised by the offices that he was invited to hold in connection with art, literature and education. Although he took little interest in politics, he became a member of the House of Commons under circumstances which were a public acknowledgment of his personal attributes. The esteem which he won in public life had as its complement the warm friendship of a wide circle of personal acquaintances. His death will be very generally regretted.

Mr. Waldron was born in 1858 at Ballybrack, County Dublin, and was the fourth son of the late Laurence Waldron, D.L., of Helen Park, Tipperary, who, as a Liberal, represented the County Tipperary in the House of Commons from 1857 to 1865. His mother was a daughter of the late Francis White, President of the Royal College of Surgeons. He was educated at The Oratory, Birmingham, where he showed a marked aptitude in classics. He did not go on to a university, but at the age of twenty-three began a successful business career by becoming a Dublin stockbroker and founding in 1881 the firm which attained an assured position as a financial concern. Mr. Waldron's health began to fail nearly two years ago, and for the last twelve months he had not been able to attend at his office, the business being carried on by his partner.

In a very few years after he had entered commercial life, Mr. Waldron's administrative ability began to be recognised, and in 1896 he joined the directorate of the Dublin United Tramways Company. He eventually became chairman of the company. He succeeded the late Mr. James McCann both as chairman of the Grand Canal Company and as member of Parliament for the St. Stephen's Green Division of Dublin. As the successor of Mr. McCann on the Canal Board, Mr. Waldron successfully carried out the policy inaugurated by his predecessor, and maintained the company as a paying concern. He was a director and chairman of the Kingstown and Dublin Railway Company for many years, but owing to failing health resigned the chairmanship six or eight months ago. He was also a director of the Dublin Gas Company. In all the companies that he was concerned with he was unremitting in his attention to business, while at the same time he was occupied with the affairs of the many large *clientèle* as a stockbroker. Yet he found time for other than commercial concerns.

Interested in art and literature, he took an especial interest in educational questions. He was a Commissioner of National Education, a member of the Senate of the National University and of the Governing Body of University College, Dublin. He was a Governor of the National Art Gallery and a Trustee of the National Library. He was also a Commissioner of Charitable Donations and Bequests.

In 1904 Mr. Waldron entered Parliament with the tacit sympathy of the then Irish Parliamentary Party as an Independent Nationalist, seeking relief of the over-taxation of this country. Two years later, at the General Election of 1906, he again won the St. Stephen's Green seat, his Unionist opponent being Mr. William Ireland. He continued to sit in Parliament until 1910, when increasing business demands caused his retirement. In 1911 Mr. Waldron was sworn of His Majesty's Privy Council in Ireland.

Mr. Waldron never married. He leaves two brothers, Major Patrick Waldron, of Pitinchry, Perthshire, and Brigadier-General Francis Waldron, C.B. Yesterday universal regret was expressed "On 'Change" and in commercial and professional circles in Dublin at his death.

CAPTAIN DUDLEY COSBY.

Captain Dudley S. A. Cosby, of Stradbally Hall, Queen's County, died on the 23rd inst. at his English residence at Bournemouth. He was born in 1862, and was the only surviving son of the late Colonel R. A. G. Cosby. He married in 1895 the daughter of General James Gubbins, and had three sons and two daughters. Captain Cosby was educated at Eton, joining afterwards the Rifle Brigade, and becoming subsequently a captain in the 4th Scottish Rifles. During the Great War he served on the Cable Censorship. Captain Cosby was a well-known writer, his publications including "The Irish Land Problem and How to Solve it"; "The Menace of Socialism" (two editions); "Why England needs an Upper Chamber: A Defence of the House of Lords"; "Fair Trade v. Free Trade: Cobden's Unrealised Ideal"; "German Kultur: What is it?"; "Towards Universal Peace" and many articles to reviews, and letters to the Press on current topics.

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

PALACE TONTINE SOCIETY.—At the annual meeting of the Palace Tontine Society, members in Section A, who paid 9d. weekly, which entitled them to medical attendance and medicine for themselves and their families, with an insurance for the subscriber and his nominee, received 35s. Those in Section B, who paid 5d. weekly, obtained the same benefits, but received 15s. It was intimated that new members would be admitted on Saturday, January 5, at 7 o'clock.

LATE SIR LAMBERT ORMSBY.—Westland Row (Dublin) Branch of the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway has passed a vote of condolence with the relatives of the late Sir Lambert Ormsby. The resolution adds: "The services of Sir Lambert have always been highly valued, and his death is a profound loss to all grades of railwaymen employed on the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway."

FORGERY CHARGE.—On charges of conspiracy to forge and utter cheques, and with stealing cheque forms from the Officers' Pay and Accounts Department at Portobello, Jeremiah Hennessy and Peter Joseph O'Brien, Free State soldiers, and Gerald Lombard were committed for trial by the Dublin Police Court magistrate yesterday. Lombard was admitted to £100 bail. An Army chaplain had given evidence that the signatures on certain cheques was not his writing.

FEARED DROWNED.—ACCIDENT.—Shortly before 4 o'clock yesterday morning a seaman on board the steamer Senda, berthed at George's quay, Dublin, heard a man singing, and then a splash. The singing ceased, and the seaman saw what appeared to be a sailor's hat floating on the water. The river has been dragged at the place, but without result. A port employé is stated to be missing.

PASSING OF THE EBLANA.—After thirty-one years' service on the Dublin, Liverpool, and Manchester services, the steamer Eblana yesterday sailed for the last time from the North Wall, and went to Holyrell, Flintshire, to be broken up. The Eblana, although only 213 feet long by 32 feet beam, was formerly a noted passenger vessel. Latterly it had carried cargo only.

CHILD LEFT IN CHURCH.—Kathleen O'Reilly, aged 23, no address, was committed for trial by the Dublin Police Court magistrate yesterday on a charge of abandoning her eleven days old child by leaving it in St. Michan's Church, Halston street, on December 11. The child was taken to Pelletstown Schools, Castleknock, where it died.

PRESENTATION TO THE REV. H. C. WADDELL.—The Rev. H. C. Waddell, who was until recently in charge of the Presbyterian congregation of Howth and Malahide, has been presented with a cheque by his friends in those districts as a mark of appreciation and esteem. Mr. Waddell, who worked in Howth for twelve years, has been appointed to Fintona, Co. Tyrone.

ALLEGED INSURANCE FRAUD.—George P. O'Dwyer, described as an insurance organiser, Glanbrook, Co. Cork, was committed for trial in Dublin yesterday on a charge of forgery and fraud and of obtaining £500 under false pretences in connection with the registration of a society.

ST. VINCENT'S MALE ORPHANAGE.—The monthly statement of the Male Orphanage, Glasnevin, the special work of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, states that the receipts were £140 5s. 6d. and the payments £370 7s. 5d., the actual cost of maintenance having been £323 11s. 4d. During the month seven boys entered, one left; four applications for admission were received, of which two were successful.

CONNAUGHT.

BALLINASLOE-GALWAY ROAD.—In connection with grants for road repairs, Loughrea, Co. Galway, District Council has recommended that the Free State Government and County Council should select the road from Ballinasloe to Galway *via* Loughrea and Craughwell as the trunk road instead of the road *via* New Inn and Athenry, as at present. The latter is narrow and unsuitable, it is held.

CATTLE MAIMING.—A number of cattle belonging to small farmers, which had been put to graze on a farm the property of Lord Ashtown, at Cloncoahy, near Loughrea, Co. Galway, have had their tails cut off.

LEINSTER.

CASTLEWARDEN ESTATE DIVIDED.—Castlewarden estate, near Hazelhatch, Co. Kildare, the property of Lord Cloncurry, has been purchased by the Irish Land Commission, and is to be divided among the small farmers of the Blackchurch, Newcastle, Hazelhatch, Straffan, and Kill districts.

MUNSTER.

CLONMEL DROWNING ACCIDENT.—A man whose name is given as O'Brien, and who came from Waterford, was drowned in the river at Clonmel on Tuesday. His hat blew off while he was walking on the quay, and in attempting to recover it he overbalanced and fell into the swollen stream.

LOAN FOR SEED.—After a discussion on the failure of the potato crop, the Listowel District Council has decided to apply for a loan of £6,000 with which to purchase potato and oats seed.

BOARE WAR PENSIONS OFFICE.—Under a new scheme of pensions administration, Major J. F. Murphy, who has been in charge of the Boyle office for seven years, will act on the Advisory Committee, which will cover the greater part of the West of Ireland.

ELECTRIC LIGHT FOR THURLES.—An electric lighting scheme is to be put in hand in Thurles immediately. The scheme is to be financed by a loan of £5,000 and a local redeemable stock issue of £3,400.

CHRISTMAS MAILS SEIZED. — The Thurles-Kilconnon mail car was stopped on Christmas Eve and the Christmas mails seized. The driver was robbed of five shillings, all he had in his possession.

ULSTER.

AGRICULTURE IN EDUCATION.—County Monaghan Executive of the Irish Farmers' Union has advised Farmers' sons to take advantage of the classes, which will be conducted under the auspices of the Department of Agriculture, at Ballyhaise, from January 8 to February 15. It was remarked at the meeting that two-thirds of the "trouble with farming" was to be traced to the education that country children received in the National schools. The pupils, it was said, were taught nothing of farming. The meeting passed a resolution directing the attention of the educational authorities to the necessity for making proper provision for the teaching of agricultural subjects in the National schools in the Free States.

POTEEN PLANTS SEIZED.—Police raided the ruins of Castle Shane, near Monaghan, and found a poteen-making plant in full working order, but the persons engaged in distillation escaped. Another still was found in a bog near, but in this case also the distillers had been warned of the approach of the police, and had fled.

A fire at the Claremont Hotel, Howth, was narrowly averted yesterday. Red hot soot fell in one of the rooms, and there was much smoke, but buckets of water speedily put out the glowing mass.

A man entered Wilson's restaurant, 17 D'Olier street, yesterday afternoon, detached the telephone receiver, put it in his pocket, and walked out. Nothing further happened.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

51 YEARS' SERVICE IN SHIPYARD.—The funeral of Mr. John Williamson, who was for fifty-one years in the service of Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Limited, and who retired in 1913 from the position of head foreman plater, took place yesterday from his residence, Annadae, Ashgrove Park, Belfast. One of Mr. Williamson's proudest boasts was that Viscount Pirrie and he worked together at rivetting when they were serving their time. It is not so many years ago since Mr. Williamson met Lord Pirrie in the yard and asked him if he remembered that they worked together at rivetting, and Lord Pirrie replied that he did, and added—"We both worked very hard for 5s. 4d. a hundred."

SEAMEN ENTERTAINED.—Two hundred seamen, whose ships happen to be in the port, and a number who are unemployed, were entertained to dinner by the British and Foreign Sailors' Society in the Clarence place Hall, May street, Belfast, yesterday.

While carrying out a search for poteen in the Glenmark, Omagh, district on Thursday, the police discovered forty barrels of "wash," which they poured away.

INSULIN FOR THE POOR.

SCHEME FOR FREE DISTRIBUTION.

The first meeting of the Red Cross Insulin Committee was held at 40 Merrion square, Dublin, on the 20th December. There were present:—Sir John Lumsden K.B.E. (in the chair); Dr. T. Gillman Moorhead, Dr. Henry Moore, Dr. George Nesbitt, Mrs. John McCann, Miss E. F. Blandford and Miss M. R. Scott. An apology from Senator Douglas was read.

Sir John Lumsden was appointed Chairman, Miss E. F. Blandford Hon. Secretary, Miss M. R. Scott Hon. Treasurer.

It was announced that the following subscriptions had been received:—

Joint Red Cross Societies	£500 0 0
Wilfred Fitzgerald (*per* Mrs. John McCann)	20 0 0
W. K. Gibbon	1 0 0
Very Rev. Dean G. Young, C.C.V.D.	0 10 0

It was reported that a reply had been received from the Connaught Antitoxin Laboratories, Toronto, Canada, offering to supply the Red Cross with insulin for poor patients suffering from diabetes at practically cost price—viz., one and a half cents per unit—and that a supply of ten thousand units had been despatched. The generous offer of the University of Toronto authorities was received with gratitude by the Committee.

A letter from Professor William Caldwell, Royal College of Surgeons' Laboratory, offering to carry out blood sugar examinations free of charge for poor patients, was read and accepted with thanks. The hospital physicians who desire to avail themselves of this very generous offer should communicate direct with Professor Caldwell.

DISTRIBUTION.

A scheme for the distribution of free insulin was fully discussed, and it was decided at present only to issue supplies to the Dublin clinical hospitals through the hospital physicians, who will be asked to be responsible for its use, both in hospital and after discharge, in cases of urgency who cannot afford to pay for it, and that its use shall be controlled by careful blood and urine analysis.

The Committee felt that it was not possible to say the amount of insulin that might be required, but that a sum of not less than £1,000 would be wanted, especially if free insulin was to be made available for any length of time. Subscriptions should, therefore, be earnestly solicited, and should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Red Cross Insulin Committee, 40 Merrion square, Dublin.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION.

REQUEST FOR ABOLITION OF A COUNCIL.

At yesterday's meeting of the Cork County Council, Mr. J. B. O'Driscoll handed in the following notice of motion:—

"That we request the Ministry of Local Government to change the system of administration in the county; that the present County Council be abolished, and that commissioners be appointed instead."

The motion will be considered at the next meeting.

STEAMSHIP ARRANGEMENT.

An arrangement has been made to centralise the businesses of the Burns-Laird Line, Ltd., and the Belfast Steamship Company at Belfast. The offices of this former will, from the 1st January next, be transferred from 49 Queen's square to those of the Belfast Steamship Company at 42 Donegall quay, Belfast, where an extensive reconstruction scheme has been in progress for several months.

CHAPEL'S BOOKED SEATS.

Because to objects to the numbering and booking of seats for a performance of "The Messiah" as the Wesleyan Chapel, Sandbach, Cheshire, the Rev. F. Cowles, the Superintendent Wesleyan Minister, has resigned.

The officials have begged Mr. Cowles to withdraw his resignation, but he absolutely declines, and declares that the numbering of seats in a chapel for the performance of an oratorio is illegal. The officials admit the illegality, but state that seats are let in thousands of Wesleyan churches on payment of pew rents.

THE NEW ORDER IN PALESTINE.

ARABS SMARTING UNDER SENSE OF INJUSTICE.

APPEAL TO "NOBLE BRITISH PEOPLE."

MECCA, November 26.

King Hussein has addressed the following message to the British nation:—

"Relying upon the reputed qualities of perseverance and honesty of the noble British people—qualities known to me personally—I desire to submit before their upright conscience and sound opinion my views as regards the injustice meted out to my people, the Arabs, and their respective countries.

"I responded to the call of His Majesty's Government because I believed in the mutual, material, and moral benefits resultant therefrom—a belief which was acknowledged to be reciprocated by His Britannic Majesty's Government. My response was not inconsonant with any national or religious sentiment, as shown in my numerous and official *communiqués*. I rose with my people after taking certain guarantees to safeguard their interests and their future, and fought with them in the common battle side by side. I was then absolutely convinced that we were fighting on the side of the noble British nation as a whole and its honour, and not on the side of a few individuals, so that the ties which bound us together could be severed as soon as these certain individuals disappeared.

"My imagination incarnated before my eyes the honour, nobility, and greatness of the British nation, and that is why I embarked on the struggle full of faith at a time when the balance of war was in favour of the opponent at Kut El Amara, at the Canal, in the Dardanelles, and in all the European theatres.

"My participation, together with my people, continued till the end, and until the darkest hours, threatening with a religious war in the East of far-reaching consequences, cleared away. I gave the world the highest example of tolerance and defence of the sublime ideals.

THE PROMISED REWARD.

"The Arabs responded to my call in their Irak, in their Palestine, and in their Syria; while in my own hands were the documents of responsible politicians and their various official and private declarations in full publication, all affirming that the Arabs would attain their unity and independence as a recompense for their loyalty. Having put their utmost trust, after God, in the honour of the British nation, their misfortunes were believed to remain no more. This is further proved by their refusal to entertain a separate peace with the enemy who offered them independence, giving official and affirmed guarantees, because the severe shock, moral and material, of the Arabs fighting them on the side of Great Britain and her Allies began to tell on them.

"The reply to this act of loyalty was in the form of an official telegraphic message from the British Foreign Minister, which emphasised the unity and independence of the Arabs. It further declared their determination for their realisation, and that it would be impossible for them to obtain peace unless it provided in its fundamental articles the freedom and independence of our peoples and their respective countries.

"This message was sent on behalf of His Britannic Majesty's Government, and was conveyed to me by His Britannic Majesty's Agent in Jedda on the 6th of February, 1918.

DISAPPOINTMENT.

For these reasons I call the attention of the British nation to what has been the lot of their Allies, the Arabs, who still consider themselves to be their Allies, while real Allies are scanty. Their unity has been torn to pieces, their countries disintegrated, and occupied, the Moslem world especially, and most of our people charge no ill will against their countries to Great Britain and her Allies—a charge which is sufficient to stigmatise the honour of my family and blacken its history, and which even those who are devoid of all sense of honour cannot tolerate.

"I know of no sin that they did commit deserving such a lot, except their absolute trust in, and loyalty to, Great Britain—if this is really a sin. The Arabs, who are moved by the last sparkling sentiment of loyalty to their great Ally, and by the sense of gratitude and truth to obligation—qualities characteristic of their race—desire me to inform the whole people that they do not, in uttering these statements, intend to boast of their deeds, nor do they deny Great Britain's right to safeguard the interests of her people and the strength of patriotism that pervades the British nation; but they think that it is only fair that these qualities should exist in others.

"However, one of the Prophet Dadeeh's saying is, 'Love of country is part of faith'; the Arabs are at a loss to harmonise their patriotism with their loyalty to their Allies.

"In this message of mine, I desire to place their surprise and their present situation before the noble British people, lest any blame may be attached to them in the event of their taking other means to ward off this great humiliation which darkens their glorious history, irrespective of all consequences; otherwise the proverb which says: 'From death he did fly and in death did he fall' would be rightly applicable to their case. This is the most common charge directed against them by their enemies, and it is quite permissible for them to say, 'had you remained as you were before, you would have been quite safe of all these misfortunes.'

"As regards El Hejaz, this country enjoyed its privileges and independence in the past. It is quite impossible to tolerate the lot of the Arab nation before the Moslem world and before the East in general, and before their own selves, while their history is being looked upon as treacherous and misguided. It is impossible to accept such a humiliating position.

A REMINDER, NOT A THREAT.

"I am not threatening, but I am reminding. The fame of Great Britain is the foundation of her real greatness in the East, and is of more influence than her fleets and great armies, and she stands in great need of renewing the fame that she previously enjoyed. I say this with the frankness and sincerity of the Arabs; and she has to begin by her treatment of the Arabs who allied themselves with her and kept loyal to her until the present time, in spite of all eventualities since the time when the war was an actuality until it has become a hidden one.

"I will not dwell any further upon this subject, but I trust that the British nation will begin to relieve herself of all these responsibilities and do justice to her loyal Allies, the Arabs. It is better by far for her to have a united, strong and independent Ally than to have him shattered and disintegrated and degraded, as the Arabs are at present, and no one but God knows where their despair will lead them to, having come to this intolerable state of affairs.

"In making this statement I am actuated by my loyalty and truth to my moral obligations.

"Signed at the Hashimite Palace, Mecca,
"RABE EL AWAL, 15th.
1342 (Nov. 24th, 1923)."

—(Reuter.)

JAPANESE EARTHQUAKE.

THE KING RECOGNISES GOOD WORK.

The *London Gazette* announces that the King has made the following appointments to the Order of the British Empire in recognition of valuable services rendered in the recent earthquake in Japan:—

Commanders of the Civil Division—Montague Bentley Talbot Paske-Smith, His Majesty's Vice-Consul at Kobe; Commander Samuel Robinson, R.D., R.N.R. (retired), captain of the Canadian Pacific ss. Empress of Australia.

Officers of the Civil Division—The Reverend Eustace Mordaunt Strong, M.A., Chaplain of Christ Church, Yokohama; Commander Robert Henry Griffin, R.D., R.N.R., master of the Peninsular and Oriental ss. Dongola; Harold Sydney Goodwyn Litt.

Members of the Civil Division—Audrey Taylor White; Miss Catherine Dalziel, Matron of the Yokohama General Hospital; Miss Norah Little, Assistant Matron of the Yokohama General Hospital.

FUNERAL OF MR. JOHN O'DWYER, LL.B.

Impressive scenes were witnessed in Tipperary at the funeral of Mr. John O'Dwyer, LL.B., solicitor.

Mr. O'Dwyer was President of the Bar Association of the County Tipperary, and the legal profession in the county was strongly represented at the funeral.

The chief mourners were:—Sir Michael O'Dwyer, K.C.S.I., G.C.I.E.; Mr. Edward O'Dwyer, Barrorstown, and Dr. Joseph O'Dwyer, Medical Officer of Health, Tipperary (brothers); Miss Mollie O'Dwyer and Miss Bridget O'Dwyer, Hymenstown, Cahir (sisters), Mr. Joseph Gubbins, Clark, Tipperary, Solicitor and Rural District Council, and Mr. John O'Dwyer, Bohercrowe (cousins).

The bier was borne shoulder-high by his colleagues of the legal profession from St. Michael's Church to the hearse in waiting, and from the hearse to the place of interment in St. Michael's Cemetery.

The Burial Service was read by the Ven. Archdeacon Cotter, P.P., assisted by the local clergy.

FUNERAL OF MR. THOMAS DAWSON.

There was a very large and representative attendance at the funeral of the late Mr. Thomas Dawson, formerly Town Clerk of Tipperary, which took place to the family burial ground in the Old Churchyard, Tipperary, on the 27th inst. Mr. Dawson, who was a pioneer in the movement for better housing conditions in Ireland, passed away after a lingering illness, at the early age of 45 years. The C. J. Kickham Brass and Reed Band, of which he was one of the promoters and most generous supporters, marched at the head of the funeral procession. The coffin was borne shoulder-high from the town to the place of interment by old friends and colleagues.

The chief mourners were the widow and two young daughters of Mr. Dawson.

There was an immense attendance of the general public representative of a great part of the South. Many beautiful wreaths were sent. The Burial Service was read by the Ven. Archdeacon Cotter, P.P., assisted by all the local clergy.

FUNERAL OF MR. J. E. DEVLIN.

The funeral took place to Glasnevin Cemetery yesterday of the late Mr. Joseph E. Devlin, formerly Assistant Secretary to the Local Government Board for Ireland. After Requiem Mass had been celebrated in Dalkey Church by Rev. J. Fitzgerald the funeral left for Dublin.

The chief mourners included Mr. Frank Devlin (son) and Dr. C. J. Denham.

NATIONAL BANK CLERKSHIPS.

Last exam., Nov., 1923. Successful from SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin:—Messrs. J. Bryan, R. P. Cullen, R. G. Curran, J. Dood, M. G. Doyle, P. A. Dunne, J. Grace, R. J. Hornsek, M. V. Johnston, M. H. McCarthy, P. J. McHale, E. J. Mlilde, J. G. Murphy, J. A. O'Callaghan, J. O'Connor, 15 of the 17 Students sent forward were successful. BEST RESULT. Classes resume work on 31st inst.—(Advt.)

NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Rev. S. Baring Gould, the novelist, is ill.

Lord Derby left London yesterday for France on a private visit.

The Dean of Carlisle, who is in a West End nursing home, is progressing favourably.

Aziz Pasha Izzet, recently appointed Egyptian Minister to Great Britain, left Cairo yesterday for London.

LONDON COAL DEARER.—London coal will be increased by 1s. per ton to-day, making a total rise for this month of 2s. The increase, which was not unexpected in business circles, is due to the shortage consequent upon the heavy export trade.

IRISH MAIL GUARD RETIRES. — Mr. John King, a Great Western Railway guard, made his last journey from

MARKETS.

S CLOSED FIRM.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Friday.

ed irregular. Early losses of 1 ere registered for Industrials, e all retrieved when the market ly under the leadership of Common. The closing was rnment Bonds irregular. Rail- regular. The day's sales totalled ares. Money on call strong, c. bid and 6¼ p.c. asked. Actual om 5¼ to 6 p.c., the ruling rate last loan 6 p.c. Sterling ex- irregular. Silver ½c. up for at 64⅞c.

ng dividend has been declared:— a 1½ p.c., and an extra ½ p.c. rnings for month of November: acific—Gross 10,294,000 dollars, ,000 dollars. opeka—Gross 22,062,000 dollars, 00 dollars. hern—Gross 12,218,000 dollars, ,000 dollars. and North-Western — Gross llars, increase 108,000 dollars. ntral—Gross 15,264,000 dollars, 5,000 dollars. Gross 12,c50,000 dollars, in- 0 dollars. Milwaukee — Gross 13,682,000 ase 858,000 dollars. rd week of December—Southern 0,000 dollars, increase 264,000

rth-Western Ord. advanced ½; rn Ore Certificates and National Folk and Western Common and ific, ½; Union Pacific Common, Petroleum, and Pan-American d., 1; General Electric, 2½, and Steel Common, 1½. fic Preferred, Anaconda Copper, nal Mercantile Marine Preferred d Utah Copper ½. ansas Prior Lien Bonds ad-

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eference	96⅛	96⅝	—	—
and Ohio	88⅝	8	—	—
Pacific	84⅜	85⅛	—	—
ke Ohio Com.	69⅜	69⅝	—	—
& St. Paul	18	18⅜	—	—
nd N.-West	42⅜	42⅝	—	—
Preferred	39⅝	39⅝	—	—
Gen. Lien Bds.	57	57	—	—
thern Pref.	32⅝	32⅝	—	—
Central	100½	99⅞	—	—
Valley	39⅝	39⅝	—	—
& Nashville	87⅜	87½	—	—
Fan. & Texas	11	11	—	—
4½ Bonds	94⅜	94⅜	—	—
5½ Bonds	84½	84½	—	—
Pacific New	9⅝	9⅝	—	—
xico 1st Pref.	23½	23½	—	—
nd Pref.	13½	13½	—	—
& Hudson R.	104⅜	104⅝	—	—
& West Com.	28½	28½	—	—
Pacific Com.	51⅝	51⅝	—	—
and Western	18⅛	17⅝	—	—
k Shares	15¼	15¼	—	—
Shares	77⅝	77⅝	—	—
Preferred	53	53	—	—
Mort. Bonds..	57	57	—	—
Railway	37	37⅝	—	—
Pacific	88	88⅛	—	—
Pacific	125⅝	125⅝	—	—
cific	126⅛	126⅜	—	—
ref.	70⅜	69⅝	—	—
Canada	90⅜	90⅜	—	—
Common	103⅝	104	—	—
ef.-red A	34	34⅛	—	—
ell. Refin. Com.	98½	98½	—	—
Copper	36¼	35⅝	—	—
r. Tobacco	21	21	—	—
Gas	60⅞	61	—	—
Electric	103	103½	—	—
Common	97⅜	98⅝	—	—
Preferred	119	119⅜	—	—
d 5½ Bonds	102⅜	103⅛	—	—
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erica Oil	16⅝	16⅞	—	—
Motors	14⅞	14⅞	—	—
ber	37⅝	37⅝	—	—

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PRODUCE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Friday.

pot market steady and qc. lower. ized 10 boatloads of wheat and 12 corn. Receipts—Atlantic, 550,000; 000. Clearances, 534,000; last year,

ot and unchanged. spot barely steady and ½c. lower. ntic, 161,000; last year, 241,000. 000; last year, 210,000. h market quiet and unaltered. ened easy, 9 to 12 points lower. The en depressed owing to disappointing ses and selling by European opera- arrest houses. There was a slight due to shorts covering, and the ready. Spot quotations show losses of nths. Spot steady and unchanged. sales—40,000 bags. Receipts, un- 6.55; May, 9.02; July, 8.87; Sep- November, 8.55. teady at ½c. fall. First sales crepe, ribbed sheets, 29½.

ar: "Centrifugal Cuban, 19 points; Rica unquoted. Futures easy 5 to 8 Approximate future sales—94,000 r, 5.19; March, 4.53; May, 4.58; 25,000 bags of Cuban sugar were s 7.03 for shipment first half of

pened steady, 11 points lower to 6 Valipes rose afterwards on encourag- better Manchester advices, and buy- ones, but reacted later owing to the mills entainment, selling by shorts and foreign and New Orleans interests, n by longs. Covering in the late partial reactions, but the market an easy tone at 5 to 8 points fall. 35 points down. New Orleans spot receipts—Atlantic, 18,000; Gulf, ports—Britain, 4,000; Continent, 1,000. Futures in last 20 seconds December, lowest recorded; highest uary, 35.15, 35.17; February, 35.44, 35.65, 35.70; April, 35.76, 35.76; 35.88; June, 35.97, 35.97; July, August, 32.03, 32.03; September, October, 29.07, 29.07; November, New Orleans cotton futures 10 to ding—March, lowest 35.75, highest 55.55, 35.57. IL quiet. M quiet.

TY.—Wheat steady and ½c. up. No. 109½. rn dull. No. 2 red winter

LIS.—Wheat steady at ½c. rise. No. ter, 110¼. EG.—Wheat opened steady, ½c. to ½c. firm at ½c. gain. May, 99½; July, steady, ½c. higher to unchanged. CHICAGO, Friday. pened steady, ½c. to ½c. up, and further under bullish cables, smaller s, smaller local carlot estimates to support, and shorts covering; but in owing to large stocks and Broad- weekly clearances statement. steady, ½c. higher to unchanged. No. 2 hard winter spot, 104½; No. 3 pot nominal. December, 101; May, 054.

ed steady at ½c. to ½c. advance, and er on bad roads for crop movings, a mand, light country offerings, and mission house buying; but rain caused cipated improvement in the weather r cash houses. The market closed to ½c. rise. Spot No. 2 mixed, 81½. May, 73½; July, 74¼. r, ½c. up to ½c. down. December, July, 49¾. 8 opened steady, and rose in sym- e grain and hog markets, moderate commission houses, and shorts cover- ket closed steady, with last 10 to 3 ¾ 12½ to 10 points easier. Port- rd—January, 12.05; March, 12.07½; Ribs—January, 9.55; May, 9.75. r, 12½ points down. Receipts of hogs ndicted Western centres, including November 1st, total (amended) ainst 6,143,000 same season last

y, 5 points down to unchanged. Bacon. 168 to 250 240 to 320 lb. average. 192 224 s. 5.57½ 6.55 7.00 6.95 7.15 s. 9.75 6.50 7.00 6.95 7.20

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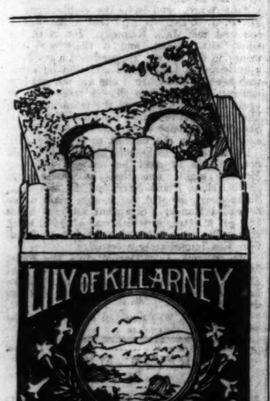

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AUCTION BRIDGE.

(CONDUCTED BY "PALOMAR.")

Competition No. 15. Prize, £2 2s.

1. The prize will be awarded to the competitor who sends in the play of the hand given below equal or nearest to the tendering of "Palomar," who will give reasons for any special features.

2. One side only of a sheet of paper must be used.

3. All entries must be addressed to "Palomar," *Irish Times*, Dublin, and must arrive not later than the first post on next Friday.

4. "Palomar's" decision on all points shall be considered as final, and no correspondence will be entered into on the subject of the competition.

5. All entries must be accompanied by the upper part of this article, which should be cut out.

SCORE—LOVE-ALL.

AB are partners against YZ. "Z" is always the dealer, and "A" is on his left.

PLAY THE HAND AS IF ONLY DUMMY'S WAS EXPOSED.

	Sp. J 10 9 2 H. 7 6 2 D. 9 5 4 Cl. 9 7 5	
Sp. K 7 6 H. K Q 3 D. A 8 7 Cl. Q J 6 2	A. Y. B. Z.	Sp. 8 5 4 3 H. 10 9 5 4 D. K Cl. 10 8
	Sp. A Q H. A D. Q J 10 6 3 2 Cl. A K 9 4	

SIDDING.

Z.	A.	Y.	B.
1 No-trump.	No.	No.	No.

("A" could have doubled, or bid 2 No-trumps, and had a 5-Heart overcall from "B.")

TRICKS.

A and B.	Y and Z .....

Commence the game thus.

Tricks.	A.	Y.	B.	Z.
1.				2 Cl.

Place next lead below winning card. Star the winners, or draw line underneath. Number the tricks in rotation, and always give the result.

Result of Competition No. 14.

We have pleasure in announcing that as the solutions of Competition No. 14, sent in by Miss M. F. Beresford, Down Cottage, Meads, Eastbourne, and Mr. Eman H. J. MacCabe, Ulster Bank, Ltd., Castlewellan, Co. Down, have been found equal in merit, the prize will be divided.

THE PLAY.

Tricks.	A.	Y.	B.	Z.
1.	A Cl.*	3 Cl.	8 Cl.	2 Cl.
2.	6 Sp.	3 Sp.	A Sp.*	2 Sp.
3.	7 Sp.	4 Sp.	J Sp.	Q Sp.
4.	4 Cl.	K Cl.*	10 Cl.	6 Cl.
5.	5 H.	A H.*	10 H.	J H.
6.	6 H.	2 H.	Q H.	8 Sp.*
7.	6 Cl.	9 Sp.*	J D.	K Sp.*
8.	2 D.	6 D.	9 D.	J D.*
9.	8 Sp.	3 H.	5 D.	K Sp.*
10.	4 D.	4 H.	K H.	10 Sp.*
11.				9 Cl.

A and B, 3. Y and Z, 10.

In the play of this hand I have been able to bring forward what is known as an end-play. Holding a short suit in the combination of Z-Y's Diamonds, to finesse it early (a low card towards an Ace-Knave or a Knave-Queen), when THE SUIT ALONE, and on the eleventh round to throw the King-holder in the lead by playing a card you know he must win.

He will thus be forced to lead from a guarded King to your two hands.

At Trick 2 A-B play to kill the weak-hand ruff.

At Trick 5 "Z" does not take the Diamond finesse, fearing it may fail, and Dummy's last trump be drawn. He notes all high cards played by "B." After the 7th Trick "Z" knows the Club Queen lies with "B." ("A" would never have led from Ace-Queen unless holding Knave as well. After Trick 9 "Z" leads his last trump to force discards.

"B" cannot discard his Club Queen and establish "Z's" 9; nor his Diamond nine and establish two rounds for "Z."

He must throw his master Heart. "Z" now leads a Club, forcing "B" to win the 11th Trick, and to lead Diamonds from King-small to Ace-small in "Z's" hand, and Queen-small in the Dummy.

Thus, "Z" wins game.

GARDENING NOTES.

(BY HORTENSIS.)

It is a matter of common knowledge that manure is necessary for the production of good crops. Every plant that grows, whether vegetable, flower, grass, or weed, takes its toll of the food stuff contained in the soil. A continual drain is, therefore, being made upon the soil's fertility, whether the results are satisfactory to the owner or not. Good crops of stout vegetables will naturally need a larger supply of food than meagre crops. Consequently the more we take from the soil the more must we repay.

Good fertile land will give large crops for several years without becoming exhausted, and without the addition of extraneous matter, but at the end of this time it will no longer be worthy of the name. The wise man will, therefore, lay his plans with care, and by manuring part of his land each year, will ensure that none of it becomes exhausted.

In these days the manure of our ambition is hard to obtain, in towns this is largely due to the increase in motor traffic, in the country it is never easy to induce the farmer to part with his treasure.

Used with intelligence, artificial manures are excellent, but their application has somewhat of the effect of a tonic. The actual crops will show marked improvement for a time, but the soil itself is not influenced. The ideal method is a combination of the two—animal manure for the good of the soil, artificial manure for increase of production. Animal manure needs to be carefully chosen. For light land stable manure is practically useless; something heavier is necessary to stem the tide of drainage through the soil.

Farmyard manure, containing a mixture of horse, cow and pig, should be chosen, and should not be trenched into the ground until winter or early spring. Heavy land needs different treatment; its chief need is to be made lighter and more workable. Consequently lighter manure is essential; it should be of a strawy character, and should be dug in as early as possible in the autumn. All manure should be well decayed before use, but let it decay under your own eye, not in a sodden heap in the dairyman's yard, whence it was flung from the byre. Buying this you are buying water in bulk and introducing it into a soil already sodden with the winter rains. Get the manure fresh from the stable, store it under cover, turn it inside out at intervals until the heat has stopped generating and ammonia fumes are no longer given off: the result will be a solid heap, rich in fertilising elements.

If you have no accommodation under cover, you must try to prevail upon the owner to do the storing and spread the manure upon your ground as soon as it is well decayed. At this time of year it is often possible to get manure wheeled on to ground in preparation for digging while other work is at a stand-still on account of frost.

Many people make the mistake of sprinkling lime on thin ground at the time of manuring, under the impression that they are killing two birds with one stone. Some go even further and sprinkle lime on the manure heap itself. This is mere foolishness, and illustrates the old saying that a little knowledge is a dangerous thing, for it is true that manure without lime is useless. Lime is necessary to unlock the stores of plant food, whether in manure or in the soil. No one would, however, wish to do this before the plants were there to make use of it. If the land is manured in the autumn, lime should be applied in the spring. It is best bought in the form of quicklime, spread in heaps on the land to which it is to be applied, covered with soil for a few days until it becomes powdery, then scattered finely and dug in at once. It is well to make certain before applying lime whether sufficient is not already present, for in this case a further application would defeat our ends.

A simple method of testing soil for lime is to take a small amount of top-soil and the same of sub-soil, and pour upon each some dilute hydrochloric acid. If effervescence takes place, lime is not needed; if the contrary is the case, then lime is required.

An application of about one ton to the acre at intervals of three or four years is sufficient for the needs of most gardens.

KALININ.

President of Soviet Russia.

(BY J. D. CLIFFORD.)

THE world in general is under the impression that Vladimir Ulianoff Lenin is President of the Soviet Russian Republic. But the world is mistaken; Lenin is (or was up to the time of his illness) only Chairman of the Soviet Parliament, known as the All Russian Executive Committee of Soviets. The real President of the Republic is Kalinin, a man little known outside Russia. But just as the Executive Committee is only a quasi-Parliament, so is Kalinin only a quasi-President.

The Bolsheviki love to emphasise the fact that Russia is a Peasant State; therefore, logically, the highest office must be filled by a peasant. Lenin is one of the "*intelligentsia*," a landed aristocrat, and anything but a typical Russian peasant, so the shrewd Bolsheviki thought it more expedient to elect the real genuine moujick, Kalinin, to the head of the peasant Republic.

It is unknown how or where Kalinin was discovered. An insignificant, almost uneducated person, whose only qualification for the high position consists in a commonplace, comfortable countenance. As a representative of the Russian peasantry the *rôle* suits him perfectly. One must admit that he really possesses rural diplomacy, because he knows splendidly how to negotiate in the common language of the peasantry, who come to him in large numbers with their complaints. He understands the art of "blarneying" them, and generally sends them home, if not satisfied exactly, at least with hope. The Bolsheviki have rightly given him the title of "*Vsayerossiskiy starosta*" (the all-Russian elder).

Kalinin exercises in the Soviet State all the representative functions which the President of a democratic Republic usually performs. He receives accredited diplomats of other countries, and he signs decrees. He hears petitions, complaints, etc. He also presides at the All-Russian Executive Committee of Soviets. Petitioners he receives in what was formerly a handsome private house. There peasants in thousands from all parts of Russia are seen wandering about. They sleep in the It beats by a long head other Soviet offices and some of them take a good deal of beating!

A long queue of needy peasants in shop-corridors and the staircases, so one can imagine the filthy condition of that house. skins and rags, extending from his door right down the corridors and staircases and on to the street, await their turn to interview Kalinin. These are peasants from the different hunger zones, all with the same complaint and the same report. "The Soviet Government does not possess seeds, so one can imagine the awkward position in which poor old Kalinin finds himself.

One also sees people coming on purely private affairs, who either sit, stand, or lie on the floor for hours and hours, having sunflower seeds to pass the time until their turn comes. The eating of sunflower seeds is a national habit, which not even the Bolshevist revolution could displace. The floors in most public buildings are covered with them; probably the President, Kalinin, chews them himself.

The patient waiters are called up, five at a time, before the President. He is a small, old man in a simple peasant shirt, and he nods his head good humouredly, and winks his small, slit eyes while listening patiently to their complaints. Sometimes he comes to Solomon-like decisions, and, if possible, he really helps. Very many come imploring him to use his influence with the Cheka to stay an execution, and, to his credit, it may be said that many lives were saved by him. For that alone he is well liked in Russia.

WINTER AT KILLESTER.

Photo by] [Argus.

A PRETTY SCENE AT THE KILLESTER SETTLEMENT FOR EX-SOLDIERS, IN COUNTY DUBLIN.

"MONTE."

(BY MATUSCHKA.)

AFTER Paris Monte Carlo is one of the most maligned places in the world. The very way people speak of "Monte" is as bad as the way they speak of "Paree." They have an understanding look, a twinkle in their eye, and to hear them one would believe that there were no wives and mothers in Paris, and that the porters at the station of Monte Carlo come to receive you with a pack of cards.

Monaco (of which Monte Carlo is the capital) is an independent State about the size of the Phœnix Park. It is difficult enough to judge its size as it is so hilly. Its inhabitants are called Monagesques, and they have strict laws to conform to, one of them being that if they own shops or are employed in these in Monaco they must not enter the Casino.

On the southern side a rock, somewhat circular in shape, stands out in the Mediterranean. That rock is the fortune and subsistence of the people of Monaco. On it the white Casino stands.

Many years ago the Director of another Casino—I believe his name was Blanc—came to Monte Carlo. It was then a wild enough place—it had its olives growing on brown, bare hillsides and its blue sea water, but it had not much besides. Monsieur Blanc said to the Prince of Monaco: "Build a casino on that rock and you will make your fortune." So the casino was built on the rock, and the gardens and terraces sprang up beside it. In the gardens little ponds were set, and palm trees and strange, luxuriant shrubs and bushes. And, the rarest thing of all, very slowly and hesitatingly green grass began to flourish on the thinly-laid earth that had the rock everywhere beneath. It was easy enough for them to flourish and flower, for the Southern sun gave them richness and strength and a glory of colour. The walls of those crooked paths are so covered with blossoms in places that it is as if some god had passed and, flinging open his arms, had thrown a mass of scarlet geraniums on one wall and a mass of blue convolvulus on another.

There they have spread themselves out, eager and lavish of life. Only the grass that is of the North must there be delicately cared for, as delicately as we care mimosas and geraniums. Very sparingly it grows, not tightly packed as we see it, but almost like the five fingers of an outstretched hand. One can see the man that garden it walking where it is growing in flat, wooden shoes, that its blades may not be crushed.

Further on, again, through pleasant walks, one comes on the prison. It, too, is built, almost sunk in a rock, since one can walk on its rocky top. But here the myth of "Monte" definitely ends. Once in, one may get out—but once out one is expelled for ever from the principality of Monaco.

STOKE POGES.

(BY J. P. G.)

IT is generally believed that the churchyard of Stoke Poges is the scene of Gray's immortal Elegy. While in England some time ago I was anxious to see a spot so full of interest, so I started off from Windsor to the neighbouring town of Slough, from which it is an easy walk to Stoke Poges.

The first object which meets the eye on approaching Stoke is the spire of the church peeping out from the bosom of the thick verdure by which it is surrounded. It lies at some distance from the village, and is reached by crossing several fields. The appearance of the churchyard is very striking. The dark foliage of the pine trees by which it is enclosed forms a fine contrast with the gayer verdure around; while the aged yews spread a still more solemn shade over the turf that "heaves in many a mouldering heap." In hastening thither across the sacred soil, cheerfulness gives way to pleasing, but melancholy delights, while one feels, as it were, the beauty of the lines in which Gray himself had painted the placid stillness of the scene:—

Many years ago the Director of another Casino—I believe his name was Blanc—came to Monte Carlo. It was then a wild enough place—it had its olives growing on brown, bare hillsides and its blue sea water, but it had not much besides. Monsieur Blanc said to the Prince of Monaco: "Build a casino on that rock and you will make your fortune." So the casino was built on the rock, and the gardens and terraces sprang up beside it. In the gardens little ponds were set, and palm trees and strange, luxuriant shrubs and bushes. And, the rarest thing of all, very slowly and hesitatingly green grass began to flourish on the thinly-laid earth that had the rock everywhere beneath. It was easy enough for them to flourish and flower, for the Southern sun gave them richness and strength and a glory of colour. The walls of those crooked paths are so covered with blossoms in places that it is as if some god had passed and, flinging open his arms, had thrown a mass of scarlet geraniums on one wall and a mass of blue convolvulus on another.

There they have spread themselves out, eager and lavish of life. Only the grass that is of the North must there be delicately cared for, as delicately as we care mimosas and geraniums. Very sparingly it grows, not tightly packed as we see it, but almost like the five fingers of an outstretched hand. One can see the man that garden it walking where it is growing in flat, wooden shoes, that its blades may not be crushed.

Further on, again, through pleasant walks, one comes on the prison. It, too, is built, almost sunk in a rock, since one can walk on its rocky top. But here the myth of "Monte" definitely ends. Once in, one may get out—but once out one is expelled for ever from the principality of Monaco.

Bids every fierce tumultuous passion cease,
In still small accents whispering from the ground,
A grateful earnest of eternal peace.

The ivy-mantled tower and the greater part of the church are built of large flints, the windows and angles being of stone. In the interior are some tombs of the Molins and Hungerford families bearing dates in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, but the principal object of attraction in the churchyard is the tomb of the poet near the western window, and about a foot from the church tower.

The lower part is of brick, with a stone slab on the top. On this are two inscriptions to his aunt, Mary Antrobus, and to Dorothy Gray, "the careful, tender mother of many children, of whom one alone had the misfortune to survive her."

Many of the graves were covered with violets, which seemed to have grown there spontaneously, thus recalling to our memory that exquisite stanza which the poet's overfastidious taste led him to exclude from the Elegy:—

There scattered oft, the earliest of the year,
By hands unseen are showers of violets found;

The redbreast loves to build and warble there,
And little footsteps lightly print the ground.

The sun was setting when we turned to take a last look at the churchyard; and in the deepening twilight we could realise more and more the truth of Moore's description of "the hour of parting day," familiar to us all from childhood:—

Gray's Elegy is said to be the most universally popular poem that ever was written

THE RECALL.

(BY "M.")

"An' now we're quarely better fixed,
In troth, there's nothing wrong;
But me an' mine, by rain an' shine,
We do be thinkin' long."

—Moira O'Neill.

WHEN they first went to live in England they could talk about nothing but the relief from well-nigh unbearable strain and worry. They revelled in the security of it all, and the unconcern felt by them when a loud knock came at the door after dark seemed a very wonderful thing to their overtaxed nerves. Then the unfailing regularity with which their letters were delivered was delightful to people who had sometimes gone for days without any postal service whatever; the while, perhaps, an engine and six wagons were removed, in the form of matchwood, from the "down line." They also looked back on many unavailing journeys to the little Irish railway station in search of a valuable package despatched some weeks earlier, but apparently having vanished into thin air. The one and only porter had not encouraged them very much. "It'll be apt to be raided," was his unfailing and philosophical remark. But when suddenly and unexpectedly the missing treasure had arrived, who more overjoyed than this fatalistic individual?

In England, too, they knew that, if desirous of making a journey, there were several suitable trains from which to choose, and one just made up one's mind of which one to make use. How different this was from their reception at the same wayside station one morning, with all arrangements made to go to Dublin. Carefully the same porter had explained matters: "She's held somewhere, an' we dunno rightly where," he had said. "Mebbe she's blew up be now; but in anny case ye can go home, for she won't be here." An outrageous state of affairs, they thought, in the security of their English home, with letters, trains and parcels coming and going with the regularity of clock work.

This comfortable feeling of contentment in their new surroundings, and of mutual congratulation on their timely escape from past sufferings, lasted for some time. While, of course, they quite knew that things had improved very considerably in the land of their birth, yet they looked upon those people who elected to remain amid the uncertainties of Irish life with wonder and with pity.

Then gradually it happened that long silences rested between these two—in the evening usually, when the blinds were drawn and the fire spluttered companionably; long silences during which he laid his book upon his knees and she put aside her knitting, and they both gazed into the reddening coals, but spoke no word. Gradually, too, he ceased to talk about the wonderful way in which things were organised in Quad city, and she forgot to mention the splendid attention received in the big shops that she visited from time to time. And when these silences came to an end they would talk vivaciously on various topics of the hour.

One evening she realised with a start that the silence had lasted for a very long time, and she glanced across the room to where he sat, thinking, thinking.

Why had she not noticed before, she wondered, how sad his face had grown and how wistful the look in his grey eyes? Suddenly she laid her hand on his knee. "What are you thinking about?" she asked, and there was the sound of tears in her voice.

"I was thinking of two things," he said, very simply—"the gorse on Low Hill when the sun shone and the call of the plover over the well field."

She blinked back the tears before she spoke. "It's the bleat of the snipe that I hear all the time," she said brokenly, "and I see the white mist, drifting, drifting."

PLAY-READING.

(BY BENJAMIN TROVATO.)

WHY we did it I cannot imagine, nor, I think, can any of the rest of us by this time. Here we were, all sensible, grown-up, clever people—some of us, like myself, with but modest brains; others, people of eminence and distinction, and, yet, by some magical blandishment, we were all beguiled to spend a month of our precious time rehearsing, not the acting, but merely the reading of an enormously long play.

I can understand people acting a long play. One gets fun in dressing up and dramatizing one's character. Also, I can understand the fun of two or three people reading a short play, lasting, say, for half an hour, but our cast was twenty-two, the entrances and exits most difficult, and the size of our stage extremely small.

The first rehearsal we spent pleasantly enough, praising the play, congratulating everybody, thinking we were conferring a real boon on the audience which, in due season, would hear our finished performance. At the second rehearsal things began to happen. First of all, only three-quarters of our number turned up; secondly, our enthusiasm about the play began to cool; and, thirdly, we wondered whether, perhaps, a little judicious cutting might not help. We began modestly by pruning a few lines, with a certain wistful regretfulness that our sacrilegious hands had to be laid on the author's beautiful verse. At the next rehearsal our sacrilegious hands were well in training, and not only portions of the author's beautiful verse, but numbers of the author's beautiful characters were eliminated.

Personally, I felt sorry for this. There was, in the first instance, a chorus of beautiful ladies, who had nothing particular to do with the action, it is true, but who had lines of verse to speak. They were attractive-looking girls, and, although none of them could read with clearness, understanding or any sense of time, the confused babblement of these winsome creatures was not displeasing to the ear, so good were they to the eye. However, as the performance, at the rate at which we took it, would have lasted five hours by the clock, we thought that, perhaps, our audience might find its other engagements did not permit of its listening to us for that period. Then we got to work in real earnest.

That is to say, some of us did. Others quietly drank tea or conducted their private business over the telephone. The original twenty-two had dwindled down to seven, and one of the principal characters spent most of his time telephoning, so that one would hear, at one and the same time, the mumble of voices reading the play the private conversations of other characters sipping tea, the telephone bell, and the voice of the producer saying—"Cut page 45 to page 91. No. not top of 91, bottom of 91!" Whereat the Caliph, hastily leaving his telephone or his tea, would make a dive for the book and the words, getting the wrong page, and starting off on the wrong cue.

Having eliminated so many of our characters and so many of our scenes, I cannot for the life of me conceive why we did not go the whole hog and cut the lot. I think the audience will thoroughly agree, and my only fear is that they will do so in an active, rather than in a passive, manner.

NEW YEARS.

THERE is something pathetic about the coming and going of the years, more especially as they begin to speed up as they have a habit of doing.

No matter how superior one may confess himself to such sentimental ideas, he seldom, if ever, gets quite away from the indescribable, intangible, but nevertheless very real atmosphere that hangs about the New Year.

When very young—in mind or in body—one is disposed to find an outlet for vague emotions in the making, secretly or otherwise, of good resolutions. Mostly these are material resolutions and connected with mundane matters, such as rising early, retiring earlier, modifications in the use of tobacco, etc., but as the years trot by, these resolutions become fewer, and become also invested with a kind of shame.

At this stage we become filled with a desire to let the New Year come in unnoticed, a circumstance not impossible anywhere but in Scotland, or in those circles where Watchnight and deep Spiritual heart searchings are the order of the day—or rather of the midnight. But there are other emotions.

On the one hand we are inclined to a sense of faintly excited imagination, we cannot pass these invisible gates without the feeling that there may be something agreeable before us, on the other there is the unavoidable pessimistic idea—supported on such good evidence that "there is nothing new under the sun," and that, in consequence, this year will be the same as last year—or perhaps even a little worse.

The making of good resolutions may be a very excellent thing in so much as it develops the creative and imaginative instincts, but beyond this what use is it? Who ever heard of a resolution which survived the harshness of a British January, its span of life may be a week—frequently it dies unborn.

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ELLIS ISLAND.

An Irish Visitor's Impressions.

(BY BURR NAKKIT.)

ELLIS Island is the great clearing house for immigrants to the United States. All steerage passengers must land there, and have their claims for admission examined before they are allowed to proceed further. They must first satisfy the authorities either that they have enough money with them for their own support or that they are going to relatives or friends who will provide for them until such time as they are able to maintain themselves. The State has no intention of allowing itself to become the dumping ground for the poverty-stricken outcasts of Europe. In case of rejection the shipping company which has brought them so far is made responsible for their return to the place of departure.

It is very difficult to obtain permission to visit Ellis Island. The ordinary sightseer is "turned down" on the spot; but in America, as in most other places, if you have a "pull" you can go almost anywhere, and see almost anything. My "pull" in New York was a good one, for not only did it gain me the necessary permit to visit the Island, but a further letter from one in authority secured me the rarely granted privilege of admission to the Special Court, where dubious claims were investigated. This Special Court is the keynote of the whole system. I am sure that its existence is necessary, but the unavoidable cruelty is there. However, let me describe my visit, and then you can form your own opinion.

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I found myself standing on a narrow platform that, high up, ran around a vast hall; the scene, as I looked down, put me in mind, at first, of some great cattle show. The floor space below was divided up into several pens, but there were no cattle in the pens, only human beings, all carefully graded according to their nationalities. This first pen contained mainly Irish people. There were many stalwart men and boys and handsome upstanding women among them. Here and there a man and his wife were carefully shepherding a flock of little ones, or a tired elderly couple, worn out by their long sea voyage, sat down and rested on their boxes whenever the opportunity offered. These couples, I thought, should never have left the "old country" until I realised that they had been sent for by their

TWO BRILLIANT HURDLERS.

CIVIC GUARD'S STIFF TASK.

CHARLIE WISE SCORES EASILY.

From Our Thoroughbred Correspondent.

LONDON, Friday Night.

One of those events that quicken the blood of the sluggish and stir the others to keen participation will be the meeting at Newbury tomorrow afternoon, in the race for the Berkshire Hurdle, of those two brilliant reprobates of the season—to the cranks of the hurdlers—the four-year-old Civic Guard and the three-year-old Sevenoaks. Jack Anthony will ride Civic Guard for his brother, and I presume that Mr. Peverley will have no other jockey than Harry Beasley on Sevenoaks.

Civic Guard has to give 12lb. to his younger rival. On his 40-14 Tor myself I doubt it, though he will probably be favourite, so great is the impression he has made during the past five weeks, especially in his easy defeat of Mitchella. The latter, however, was only a moderate sort of plater on the flat. It will be very interesting to see whether any of Civic Guard's old temper comes out to-day. He is really powerful, and I think Mr. Peverley's horse will prove him. Civic Guard may be the best hurdler we have seen for years, but I shall believe it when I see him give Sevenoaks 12lb. on the very heavy going that prevails on the Newbury course.

There will be a miniature Grand National trial provided by the race for the Lambourn Steeplechase. I doubt whether Gerald L. will be started in such going, with 12st 9lb. on his back, but Eureka II, Chin Chin, Point Onn, Taffytot, Alcazar, Rattlesnake and Waving Pin, are certain runners. Out of this lot I choose EUREKA II. Lord Woolavington's Irish purchase made a big impression by the manner of his beating Shaun Spadah at Sandown, and as he has a nice weight here, and can be trusted to jump this rather stiff course, I think he has a good chance of winning.

Tallygrey and TEDDY MATCH can meet again in the Andover Handicap Steeplechase, and I give a slight preference to the latter over Mr. T. B. Donnelly's horse.

CHARLIE WISE'S EASY VICTORY.

This afternoon's racing at Newbury was hardly up to the high standard of the meeting, and it was a cold, cheerless morning, which reduced the attendance to small proportions. North Waltham again disappointed by not appearing in the Reading Steeplechase, in which the favourite, Charlie Wise, won as he pleased, after Canopus and Le Cellier had fallen over each other, though neither looked dangerous at the time. Neil Boy whipped-in for the field most of the way, and did not finish.

Mr. Donnelly ran Comether in the Didcot Hurdle, and the horse was a good deal fancied, in spite of the manner he had to lay the odds on Hong Kong. Comether settled the favourite all right, but he could make no impression on Sans Peche, a very speedy mare, whom Tony Escott took to the front at half-way and who stayed there to win by a length. Lord Londesborough's Ashwood was third.

By winning the Yateabury Selling Hurdle on Puck Dick, Rees put himself once more at the head of the list of winning steeplechase riders, Hogan not riding at the meeting.

I very much regret to learn that, at the time of writing to-night, Captain Bensad is still unconscious in Wolverhampton Hospital.

GAZEBO MORE.

BETTING FORECAST.

NEWBURY.

1.0 Race—7 to 4 agst. Yorick, 7 to 2 Manrico, 6 to 1 Contractor and Nonentity, 7 to 1 Rentar, 8 to 1 Fabulum, 10 to 1 Lifaboy and Woodside Lad, 100 to 8 My Violet, 100 to 7 others.

1.30 Race—11 to 8 agst. Providence, 3 to 1 My Reta, 9 to 2 The Saint IV., 11 to 2 Bright Prospect, 6 to 1 Knight of the Orient, 7 to 1 Tim, 10 to 1 Ben Bridge, 100 to 8 others.

2.0 Race—5 to 4 agst. Fabulum, 7 to 2 Gem, 4 to 1 Gerald L., 6 to 1 Alcazar, 7 to 1 Waving Pin, 8 to 1 Chin Chin and Rattle Snake, 10 to 1 Punt Gun, 100 to 8 others.

2.30 Race—Events agst. Civic Guard, 7 to 4 Sevenoaks, 9 to 2 Nans Swagger, 7 to 1 Wistol, 10 to 1 Agincourt and Bright's Boy, 20 to 1 others.

3.0 Race—2 to 1 agst. Benjamin Cherry, 7 to 2 Lady Bramshot, 5 to 1 Attaboy, 6 to 1 Pleasado, 7 to 1 Guidance, 8 to 1 Merry Lad and Jim Langford, 10 to 1 Transform and Will Swing, 100 to 8 Croiseur, 100 to 7 others.

3.30 Race—5 to 4 agst. Test Match, 11 to 4 Lovely Bird, 9 to 2 Phaco, 6 to 1 Tullygrey, 7 to 1 Jack Boone, 8 to 1 Carmelstown and Winnall, 10 to 1 others.

"1" FORM "1" HORSES.

NEWBURY.

1.0 Race—Yorick.
1.30 Race—Providence.
2.0 Race—Rattle Snake II.
2.30 Race—Civic Guard.
3.0 Race—Will Swing.
3.30 Race—Test Match.
DOUBLE—Eureka II. (nap) and Civic Guard.

A Student of Form.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Daily News :—Double — Providence and Civic Guard.

Daily Mirror :—Double—Providence (nap) and Winnall.

Daily Graphic :—Double—Providence and Test Match.

Daily Express :—Double—Contractor and Tullygrey. Safety bet—Tullygrey.

Daily Chronicle :—Double—Providence and Eureka II. "To Beat the Book"—Eureka II.

Westminster Gazette :—To-day's best — Providence. Double—Providence and Eureka II.

Daily Mail :—Special selection—Yorick.

THE AGA KHAN'S STUD FARM.

CAPTAIN GREER TO ACT AS MANAGER.

The *Irish Field* of to-day says :—Captain J. H. Greer, Director of the National Stud at Tully, has accepted the management of the Shanbeen Stud Farm at the Curragh, recently purchased by the Aga Khan.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

MANCHESTER MEETING.

Club Purse—Lord Colum—Sweetness Tower—Hamilton Studio—Trevor.
Royal Standard Stakes—Dr. Jones Grey.
Manchester Handicap—Jimmy 1.—Fairy Hill II.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Kirk Handicap Steeplechase—Midnight.
Eldon Stakes—Sunset Park—Dream Song and Happy Do Rich.
Ayr Gold Cup—Sybil, Newsybel—Prince Chip and Happy Do Rich.
Two Thousand Guineas Trial Stakes—Sweetness, Peggy, and Mercador II.—Lord—Proprietor, Jimmy 17—Jimmy.
All engagements in Mr. C. E. Rowsell's gene-
Cheltenham, Kempton, and Sir Lindy II.

NEWBURY RESULTS.

1.0—TESSALE (C. Smirke) 1
Mr. Rogers's ch. g. by [illegible] 2
Mr. [illegible] 3
Also ran—McNish (Mickey), 6 agst. Yorick (Mr. Donnelly), 7 agst. Providence (Mr. Peverley), 7 agst. Contractor (Mr. Greer), 7 agst. Nonentity (Mr. Bullock), 7 agst. Fabulum (Mr. Bullock), 7 agst. Lifaboy (Mr. Bullock), 7 agst. Woodside Lad (Mr. Bullock), 7 agst. My Violet (Mr. Bullock), 7 agst. Rentar (Mr. Bullock), 7 agst. Manrico (Mr. Bullock), 7 agst. Tessale (Mr. Bullock), 7 agst. Yorick (Mr. Bullock), 7 agst. Providence (Mr. Bullock

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ELFAST CONSPIRACY CHARGE.

ERVANT GIRL'S STRANGE STORY.

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...e Ward, who is in the employment of ... J. M'Donnell, said that in March last ...rst met Jack Kennedy. He asked her ... she worked, and if there was any ... in the house. He produced a revolver ...te and a dagger, and said that he would ...her and shoot her if she did not get him ... She gave him £2. A week later he ...threatened her, and she frequently gave ...oney between that time and November. ...ot the money in Mr. M'Donnell's house. ...altogether she handed to Kennedy £20. ... November 15 he told her that he would ...t able to meet her on the following ...ay night, but that he would send ...er chap, Frank Kerr, and she met Kerr ...equently he sent her another man, whom ...alled Hanney. She went into the house ...ot a letter, in which was a 10,000 mark ... She came out and handed it to Boyd. ...was immediately arrested.

Patrick J. M'Donnell told the Court ...e set a trap, and afterwards found that ...d been stolen. The girl said that she ...aken the money, and told what she had ... with it.

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

DUBLIN.

FUNDS AND BANKS SUPPORTED QUIETLY. GUINNESS UNDER SOME REALISATION. RAILS IRREGULAR. PROVINCIAL TRAMS WANTED. DUNLOP RUBBER HIGHER. MARCONIS MUCH BETTER.

There was very moderate business transacted on the Dublin Stock Exchange on yesterday owing to the week-end and were of the quiet character, which have operated for some time, and will continue to do so in view of the Bank and Stock Exchanges holiday on 1st January. The prevailing trend of prices was favourable without any special feature. Funds were again somewhat better. The Funds were quietly firm, and Dublin Corporation Stock was rather bid for. The Bank section scarcely varied, but Provincial Old Shares were harder. Among Breweries Guinness Ord. were at one time easier, with sellers at or round 362, and actual business at 364. Marconi Shares scored a good advance on last week's dealing, then materially the much improved trend noted the past few business days. Dublin Trams were freely dealt in. Great Southern Ord. was a shade better, but the Rails were rather easier. Great Northern Ord. was wanted, but the Pref., recently on offer, fell smartly. Midland Provincial Tram Ord. were better on directorial rumours. Dunlop Rubber Shares were lifted about 5d. to 6s. Tobaccos were scarcely so firm. Textiles were almost stagnant. Shell Transports rose firmly, but Mexican Eagle Oils again proved very disappointing to holders.

The Funds received support. Consols, repeated 55¼, War Loan 5 p.c. 99½, and Irish Land 2½ p.c. 55¼. Guaranteed 3½ p.c. Stock rose ¼ to 56¾ and India 3½ p.c. ¼ to 65¾. At the later market War Loan 5 p.c. was ⅛ better at 99⅝.

Banks were quietly firm. Provincial Ord. Shares rose ¼ to 22¾, while Bank of Ireland Stock repeated 246½ and Nationals 20.

Among Breweries and Distilleries, Guinness Ord. opened at 36¾, and touched 36, but later were on offer under the initial price mentioned. The Pref. repeated 11¾ and J. Power and Son Pref. 21s. 3d. Dublin Distillers Pref. were bid up 1s. further to 71s.

Marconi Ord. Shares, recently bid for over last price, show an apparent rise of 2s. 3d. to 41s. 7½d. Radio Common realised 18s. 6d. and the Preferred 19s.

As regards Home Rails, Great Southern and Western Ord. rose ¼ to 47½, and the Guaranteed was bid for ineffectually at 58, the last price; but the Debs. fell ¼ to 68¾ x.d. Great Northern Pref. relapsed ¼ to 60 from last business done level, though recently on offer at 62. The Deb. Stock was practically unchanged at 69 x.d. Midland Great Western Ord. fell ¼ to 35, and Dublin and South-Eastern Ord. repeated 18½.

In Trams Provincial Ord. rose 6d. to 1s. 6d., and Dublin United Pref. repeated 9½.

Alliance Gas 4 p.c. Deb. Stock realised 64.

Dunlop Rubber Ord. rose 9d. to 8s. Parent Tyres were idle, but firm.

In Drapery Shares Arnott Pref. rose 6d. to 75s.

Among Manufacturing Shares British-American Tobacco realised 100s. and Imperials 6h. 14d. 69s. Coats Ord. rose 6d. to 61, ex bonus of 5d. per share. The "B" Pref. improved 1½d. to 23s. 9d. Helys Pref. rose 9d. to 17s. 9d. for a small lot. Lever Bros. 8 p.c. were scarcely changed at 20s. 4½d. x.d. Courtaulds were better at 50s.

Shell Transports rose 1s. 10½d. to 76s. 9d., but Mexican Eagle Oil fell to 15s. and Yam Seng Rubber 3d. to 1s. 9d.

BUSINESS DONE AT ALL SESSIONS.

Transactions for cash and options.

Consols ..... (55¼) 55¼ | Do. Gear. ..... (47) 47½
5% War Ln. (99½) 99⅝ | Do. Gear. ..... (36) 36¾
War Bonds '23 ..... 100⅛ | Do. Deb. (69¾) 69¾ x.d.
War Bonds '24 ..... 100⅛ | Do. Pref. ..... (11¾) 11¾
Guar. Land ..... (55) 55 | Dublin Tram. Pf. (9½) 9¾
Indn 3½% ..... (64½) 65¼ | Provincial Trams (22) 22¼
Dublin Bonds ..... (66) 66½ | Dublin United ..... (9½) 9¾
Bank of Ireland ..... Arnott Pref. ..... (74/6) 75/-
(246½) 246¾ | R.S.T. ..... (99/-) 100/-
National ..... (20) 20¼ | Gen. Pub. ..... (22) 22½
Provincial ..... (22¾) 22¾ | Castle ..... (61) 61½
Dub. Dist. Pf. (90/-) 91/- | Do. 5 Pref. (93¾) 93⅞
Guinness (36½) 36¾ | Hely's Pref. (17/-) 17/6
Do. Pref. ..... (11¾) 11¾ | Do. Def. ..... (3/4½) 3/6
Power Pref. (21/-) 21/1 | Yam Seng ..... (6/-) 1/6
Marconi ..... (39/4½) 41/7½ | Dunlops ..... (7/6) 8/-
Do. Pref. ..... 18/- | Mexican Eagle 15/-
B.A.E. Ord. ..... (18½) 18⅝ | Shells ..... (76/10½) 76/9
G.N. Pref. ..... (60) 60¼
Do. Deb. ..... (71) 69 x.d.

*Odd lot: ½ 5½, ¼ gilted.
(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Discount ..... 5 p.c. 5th July, 1923.
Deposit ..... 3 p.c. 5th July, 1923.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Mining contango day	Jan. 7	Jan. 21
General contango day	Jan. 8	Jan. 22
Ticket day	Jan. 9	Jan. 23
Account day	Jan. 10	Jan. 24

BELFAST.

The Exchange was more active yesterday, and prices had a firm tone. War Loan opened at 99⅛, and closed 100⅛; Midland Bank repeated 81½, Westminster Bank lower at 17½, Belfast Corporation 5½ per cent. 103½, the 6½ per cent. Mortgages repeated 104½; Great Northern Railway 6½, the 4 per cent. Pref. declined 1 to 61. Belfast Ropework Co. firm at 90; York Street Flax Spinning Co. 6 per cent. Pref. repeated 10; Donaville unchanged at 11. Robertson, Lond., Belfast, Dublin, 6½; Imperial Tobacco lower at 69s.; National War Bonds (1922) 105½.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

Save for Home Railways, the London Stock Markets ended the week in cheerful vein, with quotations in general making quite a good showing on the 19th. Gilt-edged securities found distinct favour, and exhibited a remarkable firmness on very good buying. War Loan Fives and Conversion being especially strong. India Stocks were advanced in sympathy, and Colombo were a steady market. With the solitary exception of Kenya, Rubber Shares were generally marked down where prices showed on the day. The reason for this weakness, which also affected the Oil Group, was the realisation of profits, on the previous day, in a small amount of selling by investors, who are under some nervousness as to the outcome of the conference of members of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen in regard to their acceptance or otherwise of the recent national wages award.

It seems to concerning the holders of Russian securities to see an alleviation of the latest phase in Stock market. At the same time, it is as well that they should not get an idea into their heads that a speedy settlement is in sight. There is only a low quotation borne in evidence, and the amount dealt in about is relatively small. To say that Russia is still a great country, the resources of which is dependent upon an acknowledgment by the existing Government of the national debt, without which no foreign capital will be forthcoming by Britain, and if other countries into the fold, like they will not advance matters very materially. Only when a stable Government is established, and recognition by the country followed, it would be a very long time before any payments could be expected in settlement of debts. As a Great trading country, Russia, with Government's guarantee is the case of British creditors. Perhaps, the Railway Bonds which Government guaranteed would fare better in any debt negotiations, owing the specific security of the railway and canals that could probably be enforced in a court of law.

Following upon the recent announcement that a British syndicate had taken up such Brazilian securities as remained in the hands of the Government from Rio de Janeiro and the Brazilian Railway Company, which are to be wound up, a new company is to be formed, under the auspices of the British Government, with powers to raise up to £3,000,000 by means of a loan to be secured on rolling stock. It is worthy of note that the Government of Brazil has, it is said, or is equivalent to, some money at call in London, to be secured on rolling stock. It is worthy of note that the Government of Brazil has, it is said, or is equivalent to, some money at call in London, to be secured on rolling stock. It is worthy of note that the Government of Brazil has, it is said, or is equivalent to, some money at call in London, to be secured on rolling stock.

During the year 454 companies registered in Scotland with a capital of £6,750,000, and there was a corresponding increase in the number of companies and SCRIPAGO capital. The average amount of capital per company was £14,872.

Of the 454 companies registered during the year, 19 were limited by guarantee, 3 were unlimited, 4 registered mortgage debenture companies, and 1 was a company registered under the Companies Act, 1917. Of the 454 companies registered, 25 were private companies, 3 were unlimited, and 1 was a company registered under the Companies Act, 1917. Of the 454 companies registered, 25 were private companies, 3 were unlimited, and 1 was a company registered under the Companies Act, 1917.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

BRITISH FUNDS SUPPORTED.

The Stock markets were quiet on Monday, owing partly to the absence of the Continental markets, which were closed on account of the Christmas holiday, and partly to the uncertainty of the political situation having rather cooled off. Support was given, however, to British Funds. The 5 p.c. 1919-47 was 99⅝, and the 5 p.c. 1924-44 was 99⅞. War Loan was ¼ to ⅜ higher on the day, and the 3½ p.c. Conversion Loan was ¼ to ⅜ higher.

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.—Chilian issues were also active. Foreign Loans, however, were stronger on the rise in the value of the Grano. The 6 p.c. rose ¼ to 98¾, and the 6 p.c. ¼ to 101. Japan New Issue 5½ p.c. was ¼ to 96¾. Portugal Consolidated Pref. were ¼ to 20¾.

FOREIGN RAILS.—Spanish Southern and Western fell 1 to 107. In London, Holland and Scottish the Ord. fell ¼ to 103¾, while the 4 p.c. Pref. was 1 to 70¾. The Pref. of 1925 also gained a point at 79¾. London North-Eastern Def.-Ord. fell ¼ to 31⅛, while the Ord. Pref. rose 1 to 77½. Metropolitans fell 1 to 87, but the Pref. rose ½ to 85¾. Southern 5 p.c. Pref. improved ¼ to 94¾, at 95. Underground Electrics lost ¼ at 5⅞.

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS were fairly good. Canadian closed unchanged, while Argentines held their own. B.A.G.S. improved another ¼ at 82¾. Western rose ¼ to 76, and Centrals ¼ to 65¾. Argentine Great Western Ord. rose ¼ to 7⅝. Antofagasta Ord. at 95 gained 1¼. Lots rose 2 to 97, and San Paulo Ord. 2 at 125.

OIL SHARES IRREGULAR.

HEAVY SELLING OF EAGLES.

Except in a few specialities, business in the Oil share market was of a quiet character yesterday, and although leading shares generally maintained steady tone, certain of the more speculative descriptions displayed an irregular tendency. Among the latter, Shells were an interesting market, for, after having been bid for at an advance of 4s. early hours, they slipped back sharply on the offering of a rather large line of the shares. Towards the end a rally occurred to the overnight level, at which they closed distinctly firm. Royal Dutch kept within narrow limits, and closed without alteration. Burmahs remained quietly steady, but Anglo-Persians left off slightly easier. Some wide fluctuations occurred in Mexican Eagles, but after being severely depressed the shares made a good rally, and left off unchanged. V.O.C. Holdings made a partial rally, but were still appreciably lower on the day. Among other Venezuelans, British Controlled failed to hold all initial gain. At the meeting of the Agwi Petroleum Company the resolutions increasing the capital were passed, but the shares became dull, a decline being recorded, while Agwi Marketing moved down in sympathy. A distinctly firmer tendency characterised Trinidad issues, under the lead of Apexes, which were being purchased on dividend anticipations. Closing prices:—

M.U.
Dec. 24.

3	Agwi Petroleum	3 — ⅛
1⅛	Anglo-American	1⅛ — ⅛
1⅛	Anglo-Canadian	1⅛ — ⅛
1⅛	Anglo-Egyptian	1⅛ — ⅛
21/6	Anglo-Persian	21/6 — 1/-
22/3	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	22/3 — 1/-
1/5	Do. Gtd. 5 p.c.	1/5 — ⅛
1/5	Do. 5 p.c. Def.	1/5 — ⅛
2/6	Apex Trinidad	2/6 — 2/-
18/3	Brit. Borneo Pet. (10/-)	18/3 — 1/-
7/6	British Controlled	7/6 — 1/-
6/3	British Controlled	6/3 — 1/-
6/3	Do. Pref.	6/3 — 1/-
4/4	Burmah	4/4 — ⅛
25/6	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	25/6 — ⅛
1⅞	Caltex	1⅞ — ⅛
19/9	Eagle	19/9 — ⅛
4/3	Eagle Transport	4/3 — ⅛
1⅞	Do. 5 p.c. Notes	1⅞ — ⅛
4/3	General Pet. Trinidad A.	4/3 — ⅛
4/9	Iran Burmah	4/9 — ⅛
14/9	Kern River (10/-)	14/9 — ⅛
4/3	Lobitos	4/3 — ⅛
4/3	Mexican Eagle	4/3 — ⅛
15/6	Do. Pref.	15/6 — ⅛
13/9	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	13/9 — ⅛
⅝	North Caucasus (10/-)	⅝ — ⅛
1/-	Orion	1/- — ⅛
2/9	Pure Syndicate	2/9 — ⅛
19/3	Phoenix	19/3 — ⅛
5/6	Rumanian Consolidated	5/6 — ⅛
—	Rumanian Consolidated Pref.	— — ⅛
20/6	Royal Dutch	20/6 — ⅛
20/6	Royal Dutch New	20/6 — ⅛
2/3	Shell Transport	2/3 — ⅛
2/6	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£5/6)	2/6 — ⅛
£100	Sena (10/-)	£100 — ⅛
7/3	Sinaia Boreon	7/3 — ⅛
6/6	Trinidad Central	6/6 — ⅛
4/-	Trinidad Leaseholds	4/- — ⅛
4/3	United Oil	4/3 — ⅛
1/3	Ural Caucasian	1/3 — ⅛
3/3	Ural Oil	3/3 — ⅛
1/3	V.O.C.	1/3 — ⅛
—	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	— — ⅛

RUBBER SHARES INACTIVE.

The Rubber Share market was inactive, and price changes were extremely few. The tone, however, remained good. Anglo-Malay rose 10½d. to 20s. 7½d., Bah Lias at 30s. rose 1s. 3d., and Kuala Lumpur advanced 2s. 6d. to 37s. 6d. Kepitigalla fell 1s. 6d. to 5s., and Highlands 5s. to 35s. The price of raw rubber receded to 14½d. per lb. Closing prices:—

M.U.
Dec. 24.

3/9	Anglo-Dutch	3/9 — ⅛
20/-	Anglo-Java	20/- — 1/-
1/9	Anglo-Malay	20/7½ — +10½d
4/6½	Bertam Coy.	4/6½ — ⅛
5/-	Bukit Rambowang	5/- — 6d
1/10	Bukit Sembawang	1/10 — ⅛
1/-	Bukit Temiang	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Central Sumatra	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Dutch Borneo	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Highlands	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Kamunting	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Kedah	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Kepitigalla	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Kuala Lumpur	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Lalang	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Linggi	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Lubok Salak	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Malacca	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Malaya	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Malaya Para	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Malaya Plantations	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Malaya Rubber	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Malaya Tin	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Malaya Tin Dredging	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Malaya Tin Dredging Pref.	1/- — ⅛
1/-	Malaya Tin Dredging Def

JAMES H. NORTH & CO.'S SALES.

TUESDAY, 15TH JANUARY, 1924.
FINISHING FARM OF 53 ACRES, WITH RESIDENCE, CO. KILDARE.
SALLINS LODGE, SALLINS.
Adjoining the village of Sallins, and 1 minute's walk from Railway Station, within 2 miles of Naas.

Residence containing 10 rooms; enclosed yard; fittings for 40 cattle, 8 loose boxes, loft, etc. Land consists of 53 acres, Statute measure, prime quality, well fenced and watered. Held in Fee-simple, subject to an annuity of £66 odd from the Irish Land Commissioners. Poor Law Valuation £1 per acre.
Orders to View and Conditions of Sale from Messrs. WHITE and WHITE, Solicitors, 13 Upper Ormond quay.

SALE TUESDAY, 22ND JANUARY.
EXECUTORS' SALE.
£137 11s. 0d. PER ANNUM, FOR EVER.

Arising out of 26a. 3r. 34p. of ground, situate at Windy Arbour, Dundrum, Co. Dublin, with two Detached Dwelling-houses thereon. The rent is reserved in Fee-farm Grant, and is perfectly secured; the tenant in occupation paid £6,500 for the lands, subject to the rent for sale.
Messrs. W. R. MERREDITH and SON, Solicitors, 33 Molesworth street.

ELM GREEN, CASTLEKNOCK.
BY DIRECTIONS OF LORD HOLMPATRICK
IF NOT PREVIOUSLY DISPOSED OF
First-class Residence, standing on about 65 acres of first-class Grass Lands, approached through two lodge entrances, and close to the Ashtown Gate of the Phœnix Park. Held for ever, immediate possession to purchaser.

The exceptionally desirable and choicely situated Residence and Lands known as Elm Green, Castleknock, held under two Fee-farm Grants, one at £73 17s. 9d. and one at £15 12s. 0d.
The lands lie between Ashtown road and Dunsink road, and have lodge entrance from both roads. They are first-quality grass lands, well fenced and watered.
The Residence is a handsome two-storied building, in good order, occupying an elevated position, and commanding extensive and charming views. It contains square lounge hall, diningroom, 27ft. x 20ft.; drawingroom, 30ft. x 24ft.; study, 7 fmailv bedrooms, 2 dressingrooms, 3 bathrooms, with hot and cold water; 3 servants' rooms, butler's pantry, servants' hall, kitchen, etc. There are two sets of Offices, domestic and farming, with ample accommodation. The water supply is from a tank on the roof of the building, filled by a powerful force pump. Acetylene gas has been laid on.
The Residence leaves little to be desired in position, construction, or surroundings.
Messrs. F. T. MERREDY, and SON, Solicitors having Carriage of Sale, 91 Merrion square.

SALE TUESDAY NEXT, 1ST JANUARY,
26 BRIGHTON SQUARE, RATHGAR,
FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.

JAMES H. NORTH & CO., having Sold the House, are further instructed to Sell the Household Furniture, including—Cottage Pianoforte, Sideboard, with mirror back; Couches, Easy and Small Chairs, Overmantels, Screens, Dining Table, Curtains, Carpets, Linoleum, Fire Sets, Hall Stand and Chairs, Circular Table, Writing Table, Clocks, Statt Carpeting, Books, etc.; Wardrobe, with mirror door; Dutchess Pair, Toilet-Chest Drawers, Commode, Wash Stands, Rails, Toilet Ware, Pedestals, Bedsteads, with Springs and Hair Mattresses and Bedding; Lawn Mower, Garden Tools; Kitchen Furniture and Utensils. On View Morning of Sale. Delivery after Sale. Sale 11.30.

JAMES H. NORTH & CO.,
AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, 110 GRAFTON STREET.

COUNTY MEATH.

I HAVE received Instructions from the Owner to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at 29 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN,
ON THURSDAY, 24TH JANUARY, 1924, AT ONE O'CLOCK,
THE WELL-KNOWN LANDS OF
KILBRIDE, TRIM,
Situate within three miles of Athboy and Trim Stations, and containing 210 acres, Irish Plantation Measure, held under Fee Farm Grant at the yearly rent of £3 15s. and subject to a Tithe Rent Charge of £20 4s. 5d. per annum. There is a Modernised Gentleman's Residence, containing three reception rooms, diningroom, drawingroom, study, 5 bedrooms, bathroom (hot and cold water), 2 w.c.'s, servants' apartments, kitchen, pantries, etc. The House has been entirely redecorated and new drainage system installed within the past few years, and would not require a penny to suit any tenant. It is fitted with all modern conveniences, and lighted by acetylene gas. Good slated Out-offices, 2 hay barns, piggeries, and usual tenants' ground.
The Land is of first-rate quality, well sheltered and watered, and is capable of thoroughly finishing large cattle. It is all prime, with not one acre of bad land on the lot, and is probably one of the finest farms that has been in the market for many years, and if let by the eleven months' system would realise at least £2 an acre.
For further particulars and Conditions of Sale apply to
Messrs. KENNEDY and FIGGIS, Solicitors, 63 Dawson street, Dublin, or
G. H. LENNON, M.I.A.A.,
AUCTIONEER AND LIVE STOCK SALESMAN,
29 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN.

SALE THIS DAY (SATURDAY).
MESSRS. JAMES HILL & SON WILL HOLD THEIR
USUAL WEEKLY AUCTION,
CONSISTING OF AN ATTRACTIVE COLLECTION OF
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
A NUMBER OF EXCELLENT PIANOFORTES, CHUBB'S SAFE, TRIUMPH 3½ H.P. MOTOR BIKE, FOLDING BAGATELLE BOARD, CONFECTIONERY STAND, CONFECTIONERY MACHINE, IN FINE ORDER; AN EXCEPTIONAL 6FT. BEDROOM SUITE, IN BEAUTIFUL ORDER, AND A VERY FINE DOUBLE BEDSTEAD EN SUITE.
Massive Mahogany Enclosed Boards, with and without mirrors; superior Diningroom Suites, upholstered in Morocco and velvet; excellent Telescope Dinin. Tables, superior Victorian Diningroom and Bedroom Furniture, French and Sheraton Drawingroom Cabinets, superior Drawingroom Suites; Overmantels, in various Mirror Sets of Chairs, Couches and Easy Chairs, Dinner Waggons, Carpets and Rugs, Poles and Curtains, All-Brass Brass-mounted Bedsteads and Bedding; large quantity of Miscellaneous Furniture and Effects.
MESSRS. JAMES HILL and SON will SELL BY AUCTION, as above, in their ROOMS, 9 and 10 BACHELOR'S WALK, THIS DAY (SATURDAY), at 1 o'clock precisely. Terms cash. Purchasers to pay 5 per cent. fees.
JAMES HILL & SON, M.I.A.A.,
AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, 9 AND 10 BACHELOR'S WALK.

IMPORTANT FURNITURE SALE.
BULLOCK CASTLE, DALKEY.
TUESDAY, JANUARY 8TH, 1924.

HAVING SOLD this historic Residence, we are further favoured with instructions TO SELL BY AUCTION, on the Premises, on the above date, the Entire Antique Furniture and Effects, of which the following is a brief resume—Carved Mahogany Case Organ, by Alexandre, Paris, 22-stops; Rosewood Grand Piano, by Collard; Antique Mahogany Settees, Inlaid Ormolu-mounted Cabinets, Chippendale and Antique Mahogany Tables, Antique Mahogany Sideboard, ditto Dumb Waiter, ditto Telescope Dining Table, Chairs and Armchairs en Suite, Antique Mahogany Bureau, Mahogany Pedestal Writing Table, Spindle-back Chairs, Oak Corner Cupboard, Oak Elgin-type and Welsh Dressers, Oak Settle, Spode and Ironstone Ornamental China; Gilt-frame Mantel Mirrors, Antique Mahogany Hall Furniture, Drawingroom Furniture, upholstered in velvet; Brass and Iron Bedsteads and Bedding, Mahogany Wardrobe, Mahogany Easy Chairs, Mahogany Hall Wine Cellarets, Sideboards and Hall Furniture, Brussels and best quality Axminster Stair Carpet; Kitchen Furniture and Utensils, Table Glass and China, Sundry Items of Plated Ware, and other Effects.
On View Monday and Tuesday next, from 10 a.m. to 4 o'clock. Admission to View and Sale, 1/-
Terms cash and 5 per cent. Fees.
BATTERSBY & CO., AUCTIONEERS.
39 WESTMORELAND STREET, DUBLIN.

GRAZING LANDS TO LET BY AUCTION.
300 ACRES
AT BYNDVILLE ENFIELD, CO. MEATH, ON MONDAY, 14th JANUARY.
70 ACRES
AT OLD CONNADGHT, BRAY, Co. Wicklow, On TUESDAY, 15th JANUARY.
150 ACRES
AT CARBERSTOWN, KILMESSAN, CO. MEATH, On FRIDAY, 18th JANUARY.
GRAZING LANDS TO LET
BY PRIVATE TREATY.
COUNTY MEATH.
170 ACRES, in two divisions, convenient to rail and shipping; well watered, sheltered and herded, and subject to Hedge-cutting by some of the finest Grazing Land in the county.
COUNTY KILDARE,
46 ACRES PRIME GRAZING, AT COURTDUFF, DONADEA.
Apply to
GAVIN LOW, LTD.,
50 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN.
STORE CATTLE SALES
EVERY THURSDAY
At 50 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN,
Entries invited.
GAVIN LOW, LTD., M.I.A.A.
COUNTY OF LONGFORD.
SALE OF A VALUABLE
FARM OF LAND,
WITH GENTLEMAN'S RESIDENCE THEREON.

I HAVE received Instructions from Mrs. O'Finaghan
TO SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION
On the Premises
ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 10th, 1924,
AT the Hour of Two O'Clock,
HER VALUABLE PROPERTY AT TONEREN, containing 170 acres, O roods, 7 perches, Statute Measure; poor law valuation £196, subject to a Yearly rent of £11 and a head rent of £2 7s. 11d. yearly, paid to Sir George Greville, and a Board of Works charge of £5 17s. yearly, also a Tithe rent charge of £2 15s. 10d.
The Lands are in the highest state of cultivation, well fenced, watered and thoroughly drained. The Cottage and interests of the Farm, giving easy access to each of the divisions.
The Dwelling House is a commodious two-storeyed slated residence, containing on ground floor—Hall, dining room, parlour, kitchen and servants' apartments on ground floor; four bedrooms, bathroom and lavatory on second floor.
The Yard contains 17 loose boxes, 4 stall stables, coachhouse, harness room, coal house, and all floored; a nice walled garden, Second Yard contains cattle shed for 30 cows, calf houses, and piggeries, and a fine large slated barrack in haggard.
The lands and grounds are well laid out and planted with ornamental trees and shrubs. There is also a fruit and vegetable garden.
The Property is situate on the road leading from Ballywilliam to Stonehall railway stations on the M.G.W.R., and within a mile of the latter.
For further particulars apply to
T. J. MAGAN, Esq., Solicitor, Granard; or to
WILLIAM STEPHENSON,
Auctioneer,
LONGFORD AND GRANARD.

STORE CATTLE SALES
EVERY THURSDAY.
R. & J. WILKINSON, M.I.A.A.
40-41 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN.

SALES BY PRIVATE TREATY.
COUNTY TIPPERARY.

FOR SALE BY PRIVATE TREATY, by direction of Mrs. Church, KNOCKERHAM HOUSE, Golden, Co. Tipperary, the following Lots, viz.:—
LOT 1.—That Fee-simple Residence, with Offices, Yard, Gardens, Lawns, Shrubberies, Plantations, and about 24 acres of Prime Land, all in excellent fencing and cultivation, and forming a compact holding, surrounded by which is a valuable Demesne containing Timber of full size and value, and Trees of real Ornamental character. Possession of Residence and Demesne immediate. Three miles of Clonmel and Golden, and Tetcott railway stations. Tipperary hunting district. Rail and Telegraph Offices adjoining.
Apply to
W. TOPPIN, M.I.A.A.,
TETHARD, TIPPERARY.
Offices: CLONMEL and CASHEL.
Date: November, 1923.

GARVEY & GOOD, M.I.A.A.

NEWTOWN FARM, JOHNSTOWN, KENNEDY
WE are instructed by J. J. Morris, Esq., TO SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at an early date, to be named, if not previously disposed of by Private Treaty,
The 120 acres of very fine Fee-farm Land. The Lands are well watered, well fenced and well sheltered, and are held in Fee-simple, subject to a terminable annuity to the Land Commission of £76.
We can recommend this holding as one that has been well farmed and is very good.
There is a Cottage Residence on the holding, with suitable Outoffices and a large Hay-shed.
Offers will be received by Vendor's Solicitors, Messrs. MEREDITH and SONS, 33 Molesworth street; or
GARVEY & GOOD, 21 LINCOLN PLACE, DUBLIN.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF
EXTENSIVE OFFICE PREMISES, KNOWN AS
34 DAME STREET, DUBLIN.

WE are instructed by the Senior Official Receiver in (Companies) Liquidation to SELL the ABOVE PREMISES BY PUBLIC AUCTION (if not sooner disposed of by Private Treaty).
The Premises are held under lease for a term of 121 years from 1900, subject to the rent of £150 per annum. The ground floor is let to the Ocean Accident Guarantee Corporation, Limited, under a sheet lease and at a rent of £400 per annum. Part of the second floor is let to a yearly tenant at £60. The remainder of the Offices are occupied by the City Life Assurance Company, Limited, in liquidation.
34 Dame street comprises extensive office premises, extending from Dame street to Dame lane, and are specially fitted for that purpose. They are five storeys over basement, and there is a lift from the ground floor.
Possession will be given to purchaser of the entire premises, with the exception of the two lettings above-mentioned.
Orders to View and full particulars in prospective purchasers from
GARVEY & GOOD, 21 LINCOLN PLACE, DUBLIN.

FARMS AND RESIDENTIAL HOLDINGS.

WE have entrusted to us for Sale by Private Treaty several Farms of various sizes, some Residential Holdings, situated in the Counties Dublin, Kildare, Meath, Cavan, Wicklow, Carlow, Limerick, and Down. Particulars to prospective purchasers from
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3 ACHILL ROAD, DRUMCONDRA.	POSSESSION.
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SALE OF COMPACT HOLDING,
No. 17, 20p., and 3 Cottages (1 let to a weekly tenant) in the Village of Swords, Co. Dublin, held by I.L.C. at DRYNAM, SWORDS by PUBLIC AUCTION, at 4 HAYMARKET, DUBLIN, at 1.30 p.m. precisely, as follows:—

No. 16	NINE-ACRE FIELD	9	1 0
No. 17	MARTELLO FIELD	4	3 35
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WE have received Instructions from Thomas Kelly, Esq., TO SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, in our SALEROOMS, 4 HAYMARKET, DUBLIN, on THURSDAY NEXT, 3rd JAN., 1924, at 1.30 p.m. precisely, the Residential Holding situated as above, and containing 3a 2r 36p, or thereabouts, subject to an annuity of £68 15s. to the I.L.C., Ley No. 873.
There is a splendid Residence on the Holding, containing 9 Reception and 7 Bedrooms, Kitchen with Offices, Range, Boiler, Hot Water Pipes, Gas and Coal Houses, Dairy, etc., also extensive Out-offices.
This Property occupies a magnificent position, commanding splendid views of Howth, Killiney, and the Dublin and Wicklow Mountains.
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WE have been favoured with instructions from Thomas Kelly, Esq., TO SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, in our SALEROOMS, 4 HAYMARKET, DUBLIN, on THURSDAY NEXT, 3rd JAN., 1924, at 1.30 p.m. precisely, all the Interest and Goodwill in his splendid Grazing Farm, comprising about 140 acres, statute measure, containing 135 acres or thereabouts, held free of all rent, and subject to a quit rent charge of £12 4/3 per annum.
There is a splendid 2-storeyed house (stone built and slated) on the Holding, containing large hall, 3 reception and 5 bedrooms, kitchen, scullery, pantry, range, pantry, scullery, dairy, etc., and the Out-offices comprise:—Byre to accommodate 40 cattle, loose box, granary, cowhouse, stabling for 6 horses (stalls and loose boxes), piggery, poultry house, coal-store, etc., haggard. There is also a detached dwelling-house and store